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# Ranged Weapons

skill skill	weapon weapon	bullets carried	shots per round *	damage	base chance	base range	hit points	jams on roll of
Handgun	.22 revolver	6	3	1D6	20%	10 yards	10	—
Handgun	.22 automatic	7	3	1D6	20%	10 yards	6	99-00
Handgun	.32 or 7.65mm revolver	6	3	1D8	20%	15 yards	10	—
Handgun	.32 or 7.65mm auto.	7	3	1D8	20%	15 yards	6	99-00
Handgun	.38 or 9mm revolver	6	2	1D10	20%	15 yards	10	—
Handgun	.38 or 9mm automatic	7	2	1D10	20%	15 yards	8	99-00
Handgun	.45 revolver	6	1	1D10+2	20%	15 yards	10	—
Handgun	.45 automatic	7	1	1D10+2	20%	15 yards	8	99-00
Rifle	musket	1	1/6*	1D8+4	10%	40 yards	15	—
Rifle	.22 bolt-action	5	1	1D6+2	10%	30 yards	9	—
Rifle	.30-06 bolt-action	5	1/2*	2D6+3	10%	100 yards	12	—
Rifle	.30 semi-automatic	5	1	2D6+3	10%	100 yards	8	96-00
SMG	Thomp. submachinegun	20	burst**	1D10+2	15%	20 yards	8	96-00
Machine Gun	.30 water-cooled MG	belt	burst**	2D6+3	15%	150 yards	10	91/99-00@
Shotgun†	20-gauge double-barrel	2	2	2D6/1D6/1D3	30%	10/20/50 yards	8	—
Shotgun†	20-gauge pump	4	2	2D6/1D6/1D3	30%	10/20/50 yards	6	96-00
Shotgun†	12-gauge double-barrel	2	1	4D6/2D6/1D6	30%	10/20/50 yards	10	—
Shotgun†	12-gauge pump	4	1	4D6/2D6/1D6	30%	10/20/50 yards	8	96-00
Throw	hand grenade	—	1/2*	3D6:3yd rad.	Thr%	thrown	5	—
Throw	dynamite stick	—	1/2*	5D6:1yd rad.	Thr%	thrown	1	—
Throw	spear (two-handed)	—	1/2*	1D8+1	Thr%	thrown	15	—
Throw	war boomerang	—	1/2*	1D8	Thr%	thrown	8	—
Throw	any knife	—	1/2*	as per knife	Thr%	thrown	as per knife	—
Throw	rock	—	1/2*	1D4	Thr%	thrown	—	—

NOTE: except for shotguns, grenades, dynamite sticks, boomerangs, and rocks, all these ranged weapons impale.

\* 1/2 means the weapon may be fired or thrown every 2 rounds. 1/6 means it may be fired once every 6 rounds.

† damage for shotguns varies with range; double-barrelled shotguns can fire both barrels on the same DEX if desired. Sawed-off shotguns do full damage at ranges up to 5 yards; between 5-10 yards they do 1D3 (20-gauge) or 1D6 (12-gauge); at ranges over 10 yards such weapons do no damage in game terms.

@ a machine gun jams on a 91-00 result if operated by one person, and on a 99-00 result if operated by two persons.

\*\* Automatic Weapons: fully-automatic weapons, such as Thompson submachine guns, may fire more than a single shot on the user's DEX. For each shot fired in a burst, the attack chance is raised by 5 percentiles. Roll once for all attacks against a single target. If the attack succeeds, roll an appropriate die to determine how many bullets actually hit. For example, if 8 shots are fired, 1D8 is rolled to determine the number of hits. If 3 shots are fired, 1D3 is rolled. Only the first bullet will impale if an impaling hit is rolled. If more than one target is attacked, the user loses one shot per extra target aimed at. Each target must be rolled for separately to be attacked in this fashion.

EXPLOSIVES: damage for explosive weapons is given with a radius. The damage done decreases by 1D6 for every increment of the stated distance between the explosion and the target. To determine damage to a target, roll the appropriate explosives damage separately for each target within the radius.

## Damage Reminder

If from a single wound a character takes damage equal to half or more of his current hit points, a number equaling his CON or less must be rolled on 1D20 or the character falls unconscious.

# Melee Weapons

weapon	damage	base chance	hit points
Fist / Punch	1D3	50%	—
Brass Knuckles	1D3+2	as Fist	—
Head Butt	1D4	10%	—
Kick	1D6	25%	—
Grapple	special	25%	—
Fencing Foil, sharpened*	1D6	20%	10
Rapier / Heavy Epee, sharpened*	1D6+1	10%	15
Civil War Sabre	1D8+1	15%	20
Wood Axe (for two hands)	1D8+2	20%	15
Hatchet	1D6+1	20%	12
Spear (for two hands)*	1D8+1	10%	15
Fighting Knife (Bowie, dirk)*	1D4+2	25%	15
Butcher Knife (commando knife)*	1D6	25%	12
Small Knife (switchblade, etc.)*	1D4	25%	9
Pocketknife*	1D3	25%	6
Baseball Bat / Poker	1D8	25%	20
Nightstick / Small Club	1D6	25%	15
Scythe (for two hands)	2D6	10%	20
Sickle (for one hand)*	1D6+1	10%	8
Bullwhip**	1D3	05%	6

\* impaling weapon.

\*\* between 2-5 yards the bullwhip inflicts 1D3 damage and a disconcerting slap of pain. On an 'impaling' hit (1/5th normal chance to hit), the user specifies whether the whip wraps around an object in the target's possession and yanks it way, or entangles and immobilizes a chosen body part — a STR against STR roll determines success.

# Damage Bonuses

total of STR + SIZ	melee damage change	total of STR + SIZ	melee damage change
02 to 12	-1D6	73 to 88	+4D6
13 to 16	-1D4	89 to 104	+5D6
17 to 24	no change	105 to 120	+6D6
25 to 32	+1D4	121 to 136	+7D6
33 to 40	+1D6	137 to 152	+8D6
41 to 56	+2D6	153 to 168	+9D6
57 to 72	+3D6	169 to 184	+10D6

For each +16 or fraction thereof, add 1D6 more melee damage.

# Monster Table

name	SAN roll success/failure	class
Azathoth	1D10/1D100	Outer God
Byakhee	1/1D6	minor
Chthonian (adult)	1D3/1D20	major
Chthonian (immature)	1/1D10	moderate
Chthonian (hatchling)	0/0	minor
Cthugha	1D3/1D20	Great Old One
Cthulhu	1D10/1D100	Great Old One
Dagon	1/1D10	major
Dark Yng. of Shub-Niggurath	1D3/1D20	moderate
Deep One	0/1D6	minor
Dhole	1D4/1D20	major
Dimensional Shambler	0/1D10	moderate
Fire Vampire	0/0	minor
Flying Polyp	1D3/1D20	major
Formless Spawn of Tsathogghua	1/1D10	moderate
Ghost	0/1D8 or more	minor
Ghoul	0/1D6	minor
Great Race of Yith	0/1D6	minor
Hastur	1D10/1D100	Great Old One
Hound of Tindalos	1D3/1D20	major
Hunting Horror	0/1D10	moderate
Hydra	1/1D10	major
Ithaqua *	1D10/1D100	Great Old One
Lesser Other God	1/1D20	major
Mi-Go	0/1D6	minor
Mummy	1/1D8	minor
Nightgaunt	0/1D6	minor

name	SAN roll success/failure	class
Nodens	0/0	Outer God
Nyarlahotep **	1D10/1D100	Outer God
Nyogtha	1D6/1D20	Great Old One
Old One	0/1D6	minor
Sand Dweller	0/1D6	minor
Serpent Person	0/1D6	minor
Servitor of the Outer Gods	1/1D10	moderate
Shantak	0/1D6	minor
Shoggoth	1D6/1D20	moderate
Shub-Niggurath	1D10/1D100	Outer God
Shudde M'ell	1D3/1D20	Great Old One
Skeleton (human)	0/1D6	minor
Star-Spawn of Cthulhu	1D6/1D20	major
Star Vampire	1/1D10	moderate
Tsathogghua	0/1D10	Great Old One
Vampire	0/1D6	minor
Werewolf	0/1D6	minor
Wraith	0/1D8 or more	minor
Y'gonolac	1/1D20	Great Old One
Yig	0/1D8	Great Old One
Yog-Sothoth ***	1/1D10	Outer God
Zombie	1/1D8	minor

\* hearing the howl of Ithaqua, the Wendigo, costs 1/1D6 SAN.  
 \*\* seeing Nyarlahotep in human form costs no SAN.  
 \*\*\* seeing Yog-Sothoth in its form of Tawil At'Umr costs no SAN; seeing it in one of its rare other forms (never on Earth) costs 1D10/1D100 SAN.

## Sanity Results

If 4 or less SAN lost, no immediate effect – subtract amount from current SAN.

If 5 or more SAN lost, ask for Idea roll for investigator. On a successful Idea roll, investigator goes temporarily insane; if roll fails, investigator does not go insane, but may not remember the event.

### Timetable for Temporary Insanity

1D10	length of temp. insanity
1-4	1D10 combat rounds
5-7	1D10 full turns
8-9	1D10 hours
10	1D10 days

If 20% or more of current SAN is lost, investigator goes indefinitely insane. Generally, the situation makes apparent the appropriate insanity for a particular investigator. But not always. The table below gives random forms of insanity.

### Insanity Table (abbreviated)

1D6	form of insanity
1	catatonia
2	amnesia
3	stupefaction
4	pantophobia
5	paranoia
6	keeper picks 1D6 phobias

If all SAN is lost, investigator goes permanently insane.



# Spell List

1D100	name of spell	1D100	name of spell	1D100	name of spell
01-02	Summon Byakhee	25	Bind Star Vampire	59	Call Nyogtha
03	Bind Byakhee	26-27	Contact Chthonian	60	Contact Nodens
04-05	Summon Dark Young of Shub-Niggurath	28-30	Contact Deep Ones	61-63	Contact Nyarlahotep
06-07	Bind Dark Young of Shub-Niggurath	31-32	Contact Flying Polyp	64-66	Contact Cthulhu
08-09	Summon Dimensional Shambler	33-34	Contact Formless Spawn of Tsathogghua	67-68	Contact Tsathogghua
10	Bind Dimensional Shambler	35-37	Contact Ghoul	69	Contact Y'gonolac
11	Summon Fire Vampire	38-39	Contact Hound of Tindalos	70	Contact Yig
12	Bind Fire Vampire	40-42	Contact Fungi from Yuggoth	71-72	Brew Space-Mead
13-15	Summon Hunting Horror	43-44	Contact Old One	73	Resurrection
16	Bind Hunting Horror	45-46	Contact Sand Dweller	75-76	Dread Curse of Azathoth
17-18	Summon Nightgaunt	47-48	Contact Star-Spawn of Cthulhu	77-79	Powder of Ibn Ghazi
19	Bind Nightgaunt	49	Call Azathoth	80	Shrivelling
20-21	Summon Servitor of the Outer Gods	50-51	Call Shub-Niggurath	81-82	Voorish Sign
22	Bind Servitor of the Outer Gods	52-54	Call Yog-Sothoth	83-85	Elder Sign
23-24	Summon Star Vampire	55	Call Cthugha	86-90	Enchant (Item)
		56	Call Hastur	91-00	other spells, at keeper's discretion
		57-58	Call Ithaqua		



## Institutional Disasters

1D100	result	explanation
01-20	disfigurement	lose 1D6 points of APP
21-40	poor health	lose 1D6 points of CON
41-55	muscular atrophy	lose 1D6 points of STR
56-70	mental damage	lose 1D6 points of INT
71-85	nerve damage	lose 1D6 points of DEX
86-00	coma	roll 1D10 each month. If the result equals patient's

CON or less, he or she wakes cured. If the result is between CON and CON x5, he or she continues to sleep. If the result is over CON x5 he or she loses 1D6 CON and continues to sleep for that month.

## OFFICIAL CHANGES

Rules and values changes made on this keeper's screen are official changes, superseding the first and second editions of Call of Cthulhu.



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## Typical SAN Losses

loss	event prompting roll
1D3	Surprised by corpse.
1D3	Surprised by mangled corpse of animal.
1D4	Surprised by fragment of a corpse.
1D6	Surprised by horribly-mangled corpse.
1D6	Awaking in a tomb or a coffin.
1D6	Seeing good friend or close relative die.
1D8	Meeting someone you know to be dead.
1D8	Witnessing bizarre occurrence (e.g., sky turns green).
1D10	Witnessing grisly, bizarre occurrence (e.g., gigantic bloody head falls from the heavens).
1D10	Undergo severe torture.

## Cthulhu Mythos Skill

This skill starts at a base percentage of 0%, and never exceeds 98% for a player-character. *No investigator may choose Cthulhu Mythos as a starting skill, nor may normal experience increase it.* Cthulhu Mythos skill is gained by insane insights into the nature of the universe or by reading forbidden books (see the Sanity and the Magic and Spells chapters, respectively, in the rules-book). This skill decreases a character's maximum SAN: a character's Sanity never may be higher than 99 minus his Cthulhu Mythos skill points. Once learned, Cthulhu Mythos cannot be forgotten, no matter how much someone might want to.

Whenever evidence of Mythos monsters is seen, a successful roll against this skill allows the investigator to know the general class of monster involved (see the Monster table on this screen). If glimpsing a monster, the investigator may receive a skill roll to identify the exact creature involved. Use of this skill also allows a character to identify a spell by watching it being cast, and allows him to identify a Mythos book by skimming a page or two.

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# Books of the Mythos

roll D100	title	language	+ to Mythos knowledge	spell multiplier	effect on SAN
01	<i>Al Azif</i> (Abd al-Azrad)	Arabic	+18%	x5	-2D10
02	<i>*Necronomicon</i> (tr. Theodorus Philetus)	Greek	+17%	x5	-2D10
03	<i>*Necronomicon</i> (tr. Olaus Wormius)	Latin	+16%	x5	-2D10
04	<i>*Necronomicon</i> (tr. Dr. John Dee)	English	+15%	x4	-2D10
05-08	<i>Cultes des Goules</i> (Comte d'Erlette)	French	+14%	x2	-1D10
09-12	<i>Vermis Mysteriis</i> (Ludvig Prinn)	Latin	+12%	x3	-2D6
13	<i>Unausprechlichen Kulte</i> n (von Junzt)	German	+15%	x4	-2D8
14-16	<i>*Nameless Cults</i> (pub. Bridewell)	English	+12%	x3	-2D8
17-20	<i>*Nameless Cults</i> (pub. Golden Goblin Press)	English	+ 9%	x2	-2D8
21-22	<i>Liber Ivonis</i>	Latin	+13%	x2	-2D4
23-24	<i>*Livre d'Ivon</i> (tr. Gaspard du Nord)	French	+12%	x2	-2D4
25	<i>*Book of Eibon</i>	English	+11%	x2	-2D4
26-30	<i>The Golden Bough</i> (Sir James Frazer)	English	+ 5%	x1	-1D2
31-34	<i>Witch-Cult in Western Europe</i> (Murray)	English	+ 4%	x1	-1D3
35-37	<i>Pnakotic Manuscripts</i>	English**	+10%	x2	-1D8
38-40	<i>Book of Dzyan</i>	English**	+ 9%	x1	-1D6
41-44	<i>Azathoth and Others</i> (poems, Edward Derby)	English	+ 4%	—	-1D4
45-47	<i>People of the Monolith</i> (poems, Justin Geoffrey)	English	+ 3%	—	-1D3
48	<i>R'lyeh Text</i>	Chinese	+15%	x4	-2D8
49-50	<i>Cthaat Aquadingen</i>	English**	+13%	x3	-2D6
51-52	<i>Eltdown Shards</i>	English**	+11%	x2	-1D8
53-54	<i>Celaeno Fragments</i>	English**	+ 9%	x2	-1D8
55-56	<i>Sussex Manuscript</i>	English**	+ 7%	x2	-1D6
57-58	<i>Ponape Scripture</i>	English**	+ 5%	x2	-1D6
59-60	<i>Zanthu Tablets</i>	English**	+ 3%	x2	-1D6
61-63	<i>Revelations of Glaaki</i>	English**	+15%	x3	-2D8
64-65	<i>Seven Cryptical Books of Hsan</i>	Chinese	+ 8%	x3	-1D8
66-67	<i>Prodigies in the New-England Canaan</i> (Reverend Ward Phillips)	English	+ 4%	—	-1D6
68-69	<i>True Magick</i> (Theophilus Wenn)	English	+ 6%	x2	-1D8
70-71	<i>Monstres and Their Kynde</i>	English	+ 8%	x1	-1D8
72-74	<i>G'harne Fragments</i> (tr. Lord Wendi-Smith)	English**	+10%	x2	-1D10
75	<i>Cthulhu in the Necronomicon</i> (Dr. Shrewsbury)	English	+ 6%	x1	-1D6
76-00	keeper's choice	various	varies	varies	varies

\* translation of original work listed above it.

\*\* the work is found translated into English, but originally was not in that tongue. Texts in the original tongue add +3% to Mythos knowledge and +1 to the spell multiplier.

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