

Character Creation for New and Existing Players

If you're a brand new player joining the Syndicate for the first time, here are the steps you will take to get started role playing!

1. Fill out the [New Character Initiation Form](#)
2. Upon completion and submission of the form, tag an **Initiator** and inform them that you have filled out the form.
3. The Initiator will look over your form submission and work with you and a Planar Architect (a Worldbuilder) to flesh out your character and to ensure that your character fits our canon!
 - 3a. During this time you will be provided with a link to the Syndicate Library. (our google drive folder, that contains all the resources you will need)
4. Once everyone is happy with your character's backstory, it's time to fill out another form, the The New Character Form, which will be provided to you.
 - 4a. When getting started Role Playing, we offer two choices: an Intro Quest, or Diving straight in.

An intro quest is a quest run by one of our storytellers. It is a great way to get a feel for our system and world your character is from while also providing a great way to travel to the heart of where all the roleplay takes place.
 - 4b. If you decide to do an Intro Quest, the Initiator will get in touch with one of our Storytellers and will work with you to plan and schedule your intro quest.
5. After this form is filled out, you or your Initiator will reach out to a Judicator to get your Character Sheet!
 - 5a. Upon submission you will receive a email with your new character sheet!
6. The Initiator will help you out with your Character Sheet! It is alright if you get a bit overwhelmed.
7. At this time you will also get your Character Tag! This will get you access to the entirety of our Channels.
8. At this time you can post a Character introduction in the channel of the same name. Go ahead and look over the previous post to get a feel of the general format and make your own post!

9. It's Roleplay time! If you are doing an Intro Quest this when it will happen! If you wanted to just dive in, head over to #The-Generalist-Tavern. And start role playing!

Character Creation for Existing Players

So you've been on the server for a while now and are thinking about making another character to switch between playing... Here's how to get started!

1. Reach out to the storyteller for the plane that you are interested in the #talk-to-planar-architect channel.

2. Once you have worked out your backstory and your character with the storyteller and determine if you will need an Introductory Quest or not.

3. Head over to the #talk-to-judicators channel and let a Judicator know that you have created a new character with a backstory that has been **APPROVED**.

3a. Please provide your character name and what plane they are from

4. The Judicator will provide a link to the New Character Form

4a. You will need your character name and your Discord ID. your Discord ID is not [Username]#1234 it is a string of numbers that is accessed through Discord developer mode. If you need help getting your Discord ID please let a Judicator know and they will provide you with your ID.

5. While you are filling out the form the Judicator will check with the story team of the plane your character is from to make sure all is approved and in order.

(Please be patient)

They will also make a new character sheet for your character when that approval is made.

6. Feel free to type up your new characters backstory in the #character-introduction channel.

7. When you are ready to start roleplaying as your new character please use D2 Bot (Change bot) in #talk-to-judicators using the /change command to switch to playing your new character.

8. You may now play! Either come in on your intro quest or start playing in #the-generalist-tavern. Remember, you may switch characters once a week!

Can I change the way I've spent favor? Re-Specializing (Respec)

You have the ability to respec how you've spent your character's favor. However this option is limited. If you want to change how your character's favor has been allotted, inform a Judicator and they will help you facilitate your respec. Once you declare to a Judicator that you are using a respec you have 24 hours to make all respec changes to your character sheet.

1. Every character gets 1 free 100% respec and 1 free 50% respec for the lifetime of the character.
2. A character could purchase a 100% respec by spending 20% of your current total favor, or a 50% respec by spending 10% of their total favor. You must use your purchased respec within 24 hours of purchase.
3. During every quarterly gameplay release, every character gets a free 50% respec that is valid for 1 month. Do still alert a Judicator when you use this respec.

Character retirement and secondary characters

If you choose to retire your character, you must make a new character. This new character has none of the memories, relationships, items, abilities, or advantages of your previous character, however, upon retirement please contact a **Judicator** to get your new character's favor and rasps taken care of. You may choose to retire your character, or permanently kill them. If you permakill your character, it is treated as a retirement, and you can never go back to playing that character, you find a story reason for that character no longer being around.

Stipulations to creating a new character after retirement/permadeath and or making secondary characters.

1. Players can only change between characters (including creating new characters) once per week.
 - a. This is to prevent flip-flopping between characters to gain story or PvP advantages.
2. All new characters start with 10 favor and 14 ability score points to distribute. A starting ability score can't go over 4.
 - a. If you retire your current character you get 100% of their favor to invest right from the start.
3. Players must contact a **Judicator** to create a new character or to swap between characters
 - a. A **Judicator** must ensure the player's Discord ID is recorded properly and they must set the new characters to an active status.
 - b. Players can also utilize D2 bot (change bot) the steps to use the change bot are:
 - i. Go to the talk-to-judicators channel and type `"/change"`
 - ii. Follow prompts that pop up
4. All Favor from all sources must go to the currently active character.

5. Players should change their Discord nicknames to match their new characters' names.
6. Each character will require a new character sheet to be made. The **Judicator** will make your character sheet during the process of making your character.
 - a. This is to preserve the skills of your previous character.
7. There will occasionally be exceptions granted to these rules. If you feel like you merit an exception, contact a **Judicator**.