

End of the Roman Empire & Early Dark Ages, 4th-7th century A.D.

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ľ	MOVEMENT	in light clothing	in chainmail (armour 4) and/or carrying a large shield	number of "slowing dice"	In difficult terrain the result of one or two dice ("slowing dice") is deduced from movement (in cm). In very difficult
f	oot	20 cm	16 cm	one are	terrain movement is halved and the result of the die (or dice)
C	avalry	40 cm	40 cm	two dice	is then deduced from it. If the slowing die (on foot) rolls 6, or if the dice (mounted) both roll 6 in difficult terrain or at least
r	nounted foot (on horseback)	36 cm	36 cm	two dice	one 6 in very difficult terrain: blocked for the game turn.

Movement in shield wall and/or close ranks of spears (if trained to move in close order): 12 cm forward, 8 cm sideways or backward; cannot move in difficult terrains.

TERRAIN	foot	cavalry	mounted foot	protect. from shooting	cannot be shot at, if:	
bushes, or high crops		difficult (move – 2D6 cm)		−1 at men on foot	hidden (crouched immobile, doing nothing)	
woods, dense forest	difficult(movement reduced	very difficult (½ move – 2D6 cm)		−1 if less than 10 cm	if 10 cm or more of forest width	
hard slope; earth bank	by 1D6 cm)	difficult (move – 2D6 cm)	very difficult ($\frac{1}{2}$ move – $2D6$ cm) Δ *	−1 at men on foot appearing behind bank	if crouched behind earth bank (move crouched behind it: 2 cm+one die)	
very hard slope	very difficult (½ move – 2D6)	forbidden		_	_	

SHOOTING			0 - 10 cm	10 - 20 cm	20 - 30 cm
javelin (limited supply)	can shoot in movement (on foot or mounted), no movement penalty	_	6 ext.		_
or throwing mace	cavalry moving on easy terrain	_	5 - 6 ext.	6 ext.	_
bow (weak: Pictish etc.)	on foot; can shoot while moving with -1 modifier	-1	5 - 6 6		(20-40 cm) 7 ext.
ancient crossbow	can shoot in movement (on foot or mounted) with -1 penalty (no penalty for moving just before contact if on foot) reloaded in one turn immobile		5 - 6	6	7
heavy dart (limited supply)	must be on foot; can shoot in movement without malus / +1 at a group	-1	7 ext.		(8) ext.
staff sling	must be on foot and immobile to shoot $+1$ at a group	_	6 ext.	7 ext.	(8) ext.
	must be on foot; can shoot in movement without malus shooting at a shield wall just before contact gives no penalty		6 ext.	_	_
stone throwing	can shoot in movement (no movement penalty) / +1 at a group	-1	(8) (7 if good thrower) ext.		_

		armour 4	0 - 20 cm	20 - 40 cm	40 - 60 cm
bow	can shoot while moving (cavalry at any range, foot at 0-10 cm only) with -1 modifier	-1	5 - 6	6	7 ext.
sling	must be on foot and immobile to shoot; not protected by terrain when shooting	-1	5-6 <i>ext</i> .	6 ext.	7 ext.

Hand slingers shoot immobile and do not have protection of terrain, etc. or of shield wall in the whole game turn.

"ext.": exterior, cannot shoot from window or arrow slit.

SHOOTING MODIFIERS Modifiers cau	sed by terrain or shield wall Th	ese shooting modifiers caused by terrain,	shield wall, arrow slit, do not add up
target on foot who can be seen behind cover: or target in a rather	wall, earthen bank, bushes, large opening dense forest (just in its edge except mounted		 1 (except at a hand slinger shooting)
or target in shield wall or testudo	(except for heavy throwing wed	apon: pilum, angon, spiculum, francisca)	
or target on foot behind a very narrow open	ning or arrow slit in a very strong wall		- 2
Modifiers caused by armour or furtive target	Total of penalties caused by	terrain, shield wall, arrow slit, armour, fu	rtive target, cannot be worse than -2
bow, sling, heavy dart, stone thrown, at target in	chainmail or scale armour covering the breas	st (" <mark>armour 4</mark> ")	– 1
"furtive" target (moving target, hidden or in conta	act with friends of the shooter at the beginning	g AND at the end of its movement)	-1
Modifier caused by shooter	Mounted infantry canno	ot shoot moving and suffers a further -1 m	odifier if shooting immobile mounted
bow shooting in movement (if allowed)	ancient crossbow shooting in moveme	ent (except just before contact, if on foot)	_ 1
"furtive" shooter (= who only appears a short mo	ment to shoot in movement) (does not penalise	e bows and hand-thrown weapons)	•
Bonus for shooting at a group with less precise v	veapons		
heavy dart, staff sling, or stone, thrown at a grou	(not protected by a built protection:	low wall, house, redoubt, fortification)	+ 1
MELEE MODIFIERS			
enemy in shield wall			– 1
improvised weapon, tool used as weapon, bi	g stick; and/or character class 2 (except	t with two-handed heavy tool in exterior)	-1
foot against opponent attacking across a line	ir obstacle (earthen bank, low w	vall, door, line of stakes, battlements, etc)	+1
character against a foe who is on higher grou	nd (hard slop	pe, earthen bank, stairs, battlements, etc)	-1
cavalry against foot, or against mounted foot	(except in diff	ficult or very difficult terrain for cavalry)	+1
foot against cavalry (except in very difficult t	errain for cavalry) or mounted foot ag	gainst cavalry	-1
cavalry "charging" (a charge no	eeds a proper saddle, or stirrups; and is impos	ssible in difficult or very difficult terrain)	+1
immobile foot with spear or rhomphaia again	nst cavalry who "charges" directly at him	her (if trained to fight cavalry)	+1
In MELEE the character with longest weap (NEW update, 2022) This length advantage of Result (die + modifiers) higher than class of If a fighter's armour (chainmail = "armour 4") is Die rolls a natural 1 : missed (even with good If two opponents simultaneously roll a "hit" result If they are same class, the highest armour (chain If they are same class and armour, the highest na	f opponent: hit (=killed). Equals class: shigher than class, the result to hit must also modifiers). Natural 7 (= double natural 6) It (or both a "recoil" result) only the higher class: mail = "armour 4") kills the enemy (or forces).	nored afterwards till contact is broken (and copponent recoils. Smaller than of the higher than this armour, if not this pers in Melee: hit (even with bad modifiers). Sass one kills his/her enemy (or forces him/s the enemy to recoil).	d will happen again at next contact). class: missed. on only recoils. ther to recoil). Embannadurioù