



REPAIRING DAMAGED MECHS

Damaged mechs can be repaired using the Craft (mechcraft) skill, as described on page 40. Repairs are made according to hit points lost or, in the case of critical hits and special effects, the category of repair. Unless noted otherwise, critical hits resulting from the green or yellow threshold are minor repairs, those resulting from the orange threshold are major repairs, and those resulting from the red threshold are critical repairs.



MECH GALLERY AND CECHNICAL READOUCS

Mechs are now quite common on Highpoint, and a number of standard models have emerged. At the same time, plenty of unique mechs are crafted by ingenious (or crazy) gearwrights. This section describes some of the most common and most interesting mechs.

This section could be organized in a number of ways: by name, by mech size, or even by the race or nation that deploys the mech. We've opted for the simplest solution: alphabetical by name. Table 2-20 offers additional summaries for easy reference.

Explanation of Terms

Mech stats are presented using this format: **Size:** The mech's size.

Power Source: The mech's power source.

Payload Units: The mech's PU.

Height: The mech's height.

Space/Reach: The mech's face and reach. Note that a mech's stride is equal to its reach (half its height).

Crew: This entry indicates the crew necessary to keep the mech functional. (In parentheses is the number of crew members required to fire every weapon on board in one round.

TABLE 2-20: MECHS					
MECH NAME FACTION SIZE POWER PRICE (GP)					
Barbagula	Irontooth	Huge	Steam	3,000	
Bastion	Dwarves (obsolete)	Colossal	Steam	5,624	
Daughter, The	Irontooth	Colossal	Clockwork	19,310	
Dignitary	Human traders	Colossal II	Steam	13,911	
Fangbiter	Irontooth	Gargantuan	Steam	4,250	
Incinerator	Dwarves (Stenian)	Colossal II	Steam	11,765	
Iron Maiden	Irontooth	Colossal III	Steam	16,639	
anzeter's Amazing Mobile					
Cannon, Mk. I	Dwarves (Stenian)	Colossal III	Steam	40,937	
uggernaut Dwarves (Stenian		Gargantuan	Steam	7,788	
Lancer (dwarven) Dwarves (Stenia		Gargantuan	Steam	10,699	
Lancer (elven)	Elves	Gargantuan	Animated	32,390	
Mother, The	Irontooth	Colossal IV	Clockwork	61,198	
Rodwalker	Elves	Huge	Animated	112,616	
Scale Hunter	Dwarves (Stenian)	Colossal II	Steam	19,702	
Scorpion	Dwarves (Stenian)	Colossal II	Steam	15,932	
Skull Crusher	Orcs	Colossal IV	Manpower	18,301	
Slaughtergore	Unknown (unique)	Gargantuan	Undead	20 gp + 16 corpses	
Smiggenbopper's					
Perambulatory Orc	Gnomes	Gargantuan	Clockwork	8,702	
Talon	Dwarves (traders)	Colossal	Steam	12,400	
Totem	Mech tribes	Gargantuan	Manpower	1,988	
Verdant Fury	Elves (unique)	Huge	Animated	232,616	
Viper	All	Gargantuan	Clockwork	10,756	

If the mech has less crew than this number, it cannot fire every weapon, unless it uses special rules indicated in the profile. Most mechs have more weapons than they can fire in one round, for versatility.)

Firing Ports: How many members of the crew can fire personal weapons from the mech.

Hit Dice: The mech's hit dice. This is rarely used.

Hit Points: The mech's maximum hit points. Most mechs will have some unrepaired battle damage, actually clocking in at less than their hit point entries.

Critical Thresholds: The hit point totals at which the mech drops from one critical threshold to another (e.g., Green, Yellow 264, Orange 132, Red 53 means the mech goes to yellow threshold at 264 hit points, orange at 132, and red at 53). This affects the severity of critical hits.

Base Initiative: The mech's base initiative modifier, which is further modified by the pilot's bonuses or penalties.

Speed: The mech's base speed. Its maximum speed is twice this number. See page 71 for miles-per-hour equivalents.

Maneuverability: The mech's maneuverability class. See page 73 for details on the various maneuverability classes.

AC: The mech's armor class. If the pilot has the Mech Dancer feat, his Dexterity further modifies the mech's AC.

Hardness: A number indicating the mech's hardness and where it is derived from.

This number is subtracted from damage inflicted on the mech.

Base melee attack: The mech's base melee attack bonus, before the gunner or pilot's modifiers are factored in.

Base ranged attack: The mech's base ranged attack bonus, before the gunner or pilot's modifiers are factored in.

Unarmed damage: How much damage the mech does with an unarmed blow.

Trample: Details on how much damage the mech does with a trample, and what size



creatures it can trample. See page 95.

Saves: The mech's saves.

Abilities: The mech's abilities (really only Str and Dex).

Mechcraft DC: The difficulty class of the Craft (mechcraft) check needed to design the mech.

Base Planning Time: How long it takes to come up with blueprints for building the mech.

Base Cost: The mech's base cost (which is the, well, base for any modifications).

Total Cost: The total cost to build the mech, including weapons.

Labor Requirements: Total man-hours needed to build the mech.

Construction Time: An estimated construction time based on a reasonable number of laborers. Shorter or longer construction times are possible with more or fewer laborers.

BARBAGULA

Size: Huge

Power Source: Steam

Payload Units: 7 (extra weapon mounts)

Height: 15 ft.

Space/Reach: 5 ft. by 5 ft./5 ft.

Crew: 1 (weapons: 2)

Firing Ports: 7

Hit Dice: 12

Hit Points: 66

Critical Thresholds: Green, Yellow 33,

Orange 17, Red 7

Base Initiative: 0

Speed: 50 ft. (fast legs)

Maneuverability: Good

AC: 8

Hardness: 8 (stone)

Base melee attack: +4

Base ranged attack: 0

Unarmed damage: 1d8+6

Trample: largest Small; safe Small; damage 2d6

Saves: Fort +2, Ref -2, Will -

Abilities: Str 22, Dex 10, Con —,

Int —, Wis —, Cha —

Mechcraft DC: 33

Base Planning Time: 66 days

Base Cost: 656 gp

Total Cost: 3,000 gp

Labor Time: 960 man-hours

Construction Time: 12 days

(10 avg. laborers plus 1 overseer)

Options: Extra weapon mounts (2),

fast legs

PAYLOAD USAGE

Onboard weaponry

Total

The barbagula is a nasty little mech favored by Irontooth clans (and rust riders, when they can get them). A barbagula has long legs and a light build. Its right arm is equipped with a changler and its left arm has an oversized lance.

Barbagulas are used to ambush isolated mechs and to fight in packs against more difficult targets. They are built for speed. A skilled jockey execute extremely effective hit-and-run

attacks with a barbagula. The lance is used in the initial charge, followed up by a trip attack from the changler. Once the target is down, it is either boarded or lance-charged repeatedly by other barbagulas.





No consistent design is seen among barbagulas. The basic concept was perfected by the Irontooth clans, who built several variations.

Copycat models have since been seen among other forces, often with iron or steel armor.

BASTION

Size: Colossal

Power Source: Steam

Payload Units: 16

Height: 35 ft.

Space/Reach: 15 ft. by 15 ft./15 ft.

Crew: 4 (weapons: 3)

Firing Ports: 13

Hit Dice: 48

Hit Points: 264

Critical Thresholds: Green, Yel-

low 132, Orange 66, Red 26

Base Initiative: -1

Speed: 60 ft.

Maneuverability: Average

AC: 2

Hardness: 9 (stone, Colossal)

Base melee attack: +2

Base ranged attack: -1

Unarmed damage: 1d12 +10

Trample: largest Large; safe Medium;

damage 4d6

Saves: Fort 0, Ref -4, Will -

Abilities: Str 30, Dex 8, Con —,

Int —, Wis —, Cha —

Mechcraft DC: 39

Base Planning Time: 78 days

Base Cost: 2,622 gp

Total Cost: 5,624 gp

Labor Requirements: 3840 man-hours

Construction Time: 48 days

(10 avg. laborers plus 1 overseer)

PAYLOAD USAGE

PU USE 4 Crew

12 Onboard weaponry

16 Total

The bastion was one of the first dwarven models ever to be constructed ... and it shows. It is essentially a walking castle. The torso is disproportionately tall and narrow — much



like the castle towers it was modeled on — with squat, heavy legs and short, stubby arms. It has no head per se. The internal frame is iron but the armor is stone, identical to that used in most castles. In fact, if the bastion were to rest itself alongside a castle wall, from a distance it would look like part of the castle.

DAUGHTER, THE

Size: Colossal

Power Source: Clockwork

Payload Units: 18 (extra

weapon mounts)

Height: 35 ft.

Space/Reach: 15 ft. by 15 ft./15

ft.

Crew: 2 (weapons: 1)

Firing Ports: 14

Hit Dice: 48

Hit Points: 264

Critical Thresholds: Green,

Yellow 132, Orange 66, Red 26

Base Initiative: 3

Speed: 60 ft.

Maneuverability: Good

AC:

Hardness: 13 (steel, Colossal)

Base melee attack: +2

Base ranged attack: +3

Unarmed damage: 1d12+10

Trample: largest Large; safe

Medium;

damage 4d6

Saves: Fort -4, Ref 0, Will —

Abilities: Str 30, Dex 16, Con

—, Int —, Wis —, Cha —

Mechcraft DC: 52

Base Planning Time: 104 days

Base Cost: 6,925 gp

Total Cost: 19,310 gp

(does not include weapons)

Labor Requirements: 7,680

man-hours

Construction Time: 96 days

(10 avg. laborers plus 1 overseer)

Special: Extra weapon

mounts (2)





PAYLOAD USAGE	
PU	Use
2	Crew
16	Onboard weaponry
18	Total

The daughter is usually deployed in pairs by the mother (see page 109). The daughters harry and harass enemy mechs while the mother pulls them in. Generally the daughters are there only to defend the mother, but they will engage offensively if necessary. They look like walking buzzsaws — the buzzsaw takes up more than two thirds of their height, placed vertically in their torso.

DIGNITARY

Size: Colossal II Power Source: Steam Payload Units: 41

Space/Reach: 25 ft. by 25 ft./25 ft.

Crew: 8 (weapons: 3)
Firing Ports: 27
Hit Dice: 96
Hit Points: 528

Height: 50 ft.

Critical Thresholds: Green, Yellow 264,

Orange 132, Red 53

Base Initiative: -2

Speed: 70 ft. (fast legs)

Maneuverability: Average

AC: 2

Hardness: 14 (steel, Colossal II)

Base melee attack: +4
Base ranged attack: -2
Unarmed damage: 3d6+12

Trample: largest Huge; safe Medium;

damage 5d8

Saves: Fort 0, Ref -4, Will —

Abilities: Str 34, Dex 6, Con —,

Int —, Wis —, Cha —

Mechcraft DC: 42

Base Planning Time: 84 days

Base Cost: 5,725 gp Total Cost: 13,911 gp

Labor Requirements: 7,680 man-hours

Construction Time: 96 days (10 avg. laborers plus 1 overseer) Special: Fast legs (+20 ft.)

	TA	BLE 2-21: ONBOARD WEAPONS		
LOCATION	ARC OF FIRE	WEAPON (DAMAGE, RANGE IN FT., OTHER)	PU	CREW
BARBAGULA ONBOARD W	VEAPONS			
Left arm	Melee	Large lance (2d6+6/x3)	2	-1
Right arm	Melee	Huge changler ($1d10+6$, $+4$ to trip checks)	4	- 1
Total			6	2
BASTION ONBOARD WEA	PONS			
Right arm	Melee	Huge axe blade (2x8+10/x3)	4	- 1
Left arm	180° forward	Gargantuan ballista (3dI0/x3, 200)	8	2
Total			12	3
THE DAUGHTER ONBOAR	D WEAPONS			
Torso	Melee	Colossal buzzsaw (3dl2/19–20/x3)	16	1
Total			16	1
DIGNITARY ONBOARD W	EAPONS			
Left arm	180° forward	Gargantuan steam cannon (3dI0/x3, 950)	8	2
Right leg	360°	Gargantuan flame nozzle (2d8, 50)	8	1
Total			16	3
FANGBITER ONBOARD W	EAPONS			
Left arm	Melee	Huge sword blade (2d8+8/19-20)	4	1
Right arm	Melee	Huge barbed sword blade (2d8+8/19–20/x3)	4	1
Total			8	2
Incinerator Onboard				
Right foot	180° left	Huge flame nozzle (2d8, 30, fire)	4	1
Right foot	180° right	Huge flame nozzle (2d8, 30, fire)	4	1
Torso	90° forward	Huge steam cannon (2dI0/x3, I,000 ft.)	4	2
Left foot	180° left	Huge flame nozzle (2d8, 30, fire)	4	
Left foot	180° right	Huge flame nozzle (2d8, 30, fire)	4	1
Total			20	6
IRON MAIDEN ONBOARD				
Right arm	Melee	Huge bore puncher (IdIO, 5 ft. reach, ignores hardness)	4	
Right arm	Melee	Huge hooked axe blade (2d8/x3)	4	1
Left arm	Melee	Gargantuan bore puncher (2d8, I0 ft. reach)	8	
Total			16	3
JANZETER'S AMAZING MO			C1	7
Center torso	90° forward	Colossal III steam cannon w/explosive shells (8dI2+IdI0, 800)	64	3
Total			64	3
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Juggernaut Onboard		Hugo avo blado (2d8±8/v3)/cycord blado (2d8±8/v3)	4	1
Right arm	Melee 180° forward	Huge axe blade (2d8+8/x3)/sword blade (2d8+8/19–20)	4	
Right arm Left arm	180° forward	Medium flame nozzle (2d8, 10, fire)	2	
Shoulders	360°	2x linked Medium flame nozzles (2d8, 10, fire) Huge steam cannon (2d10/x2, 1,000)	4	2
Total	500	110gc 3ccan cannon (2010/ \(\lambda\), 1,000/	II	6
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PAYLOAD USAGE

PU Use 8 Crew

9 Secure passenger quarters

8 Room for up to 8

Medium passengers

16 Onboard weaponry

41 Total

The dignitary was developed by human traders based out of Edge. It is designed to impress wealthy travelers with the solid protection it affords. The passengers are

secured in what is essentially a large iron vault. The mech's fast legs ensure it can outrun most enemies, and its two simple weapons give it basic protection against most enemies, whether they attack in numbers or singly.

Dignitaries do not include sleeping quarters; they are designed short hauls. for Trips are priced according to time required, generally on the order of 20-40 gp per hour. When citymechs come near Edge or other trading towns, small swarms of dignitaries will approach them, acting as well defended taxis for those who fear assault.

A number of larger dignitary models incorporate sleeping quarters for longer excursions.

FANGBITER

Size: Gargantuan

Power Source: Steam

Payload Units: 13 (extra weapon mounts)

Height: 25 ft.

Space/Reach: 10 ft. by 10 ft./10 ft.

Crew: 3 (weapons: 2)
Firing Ports: 13

Hit Dice: 24 Hit Points: 132

Critical Thresholds: Green, Yellow 66,

Orange 33, Red 13 **Base Initiative:** -1 **Speed:** 40 ft.

Maneuverability:

Average AC: 6

Hardness: 8 (stone)

Base melee

attack: +4

Base ranged attack: -1

Unarmed damage:

1d10 + 8

Trample: largest

Medium; safe Small;

damage 3d6

Saves: Fort +2,

Ref-2, Will -

Abilities: Str 26,

Dex 8, Con —, Int

—, Wis —, Cha —

Mechcraft DC: 36

Base Planning

Time: 72 days

Base Cost: 1,311 gp

Total Cost: 4,250 gp

Labor Requirements:

1.920 man-hours

1,920 man-nours

Construction

Time: 24 days (10 avg. laborers

plus 1 overseer)

Special: Extra weapon mounts (3)

PAYLOAD USAGE

PU	Use
3	Crew
2	Passengers
8	Onboard weapon
13	Total



The fangbiter is a popular mech type among the rust riders. Whenever they capture a mech they frequently strip off its old weapons and re-equip it as a fangbiter.

The fangbiter fights in two stages. First, it closes for melee. Depending on the nature of the enemy mech, this may involve attacks from the barbed blade in order to hold the enemy mech in position, or may be a straightforward battle from the

normal sword blade on the fangbiter's left arm.

The second stage involves the passengers. As do most rust riders, they have the Mech Rider feat. They emerge from the mech's portholes and begin attacking. (The portholes lock behind them automatically and they all have keys.) If there are infantry attackers, up to two rust riders can fight them at ground level. Otherwise, they attack the enemy mech: attempting to board it, hitting it with grenades if they are available, or simply climbing on it and blocking visibility. Depending on the mech's preparations for combat, as many as four rust riders may be already riding on the mech (four being the max that can fit on a Gargantuan mech; see page 96).

INCINERATOR

Size: Colossal II
Power Source: Steam
Payload Units: 32
Height: 50 ft.
Space/Reach: 25 ft.
by 25 ft./25 ft.
Crew: 8 (weapons: 6)
Firing Ports: 21
Hit Dice: 96

Hit Points: 528



Critical Thresholds: Green, Yellow 264, Orange 132, Red 53 Base Initiative: -2 Speed: 50 ft. Maneuverability: Average AC: 2 Hardness: 12 (iron, Colossal II) Base melee attack: +4 Base ranged attack: -2 Unarmed damage: 3d6 +12 Trample: largest Huge; safe Medium; damage 5d8

Saves: Fort 0, Ref –4, Will — Abilities: Str 34, Dex 6, Con —,

Int —, Wis —, Cha —

Mechcraft DC: 42

Base Planning Time: 84 days

Base Cost: 5,565 gp Total Cost: 11,765 gp

Labor Requirements: 7,680 man-hours

Construction Time: 96 days

(10 avg. laborers plus 1 overseer)

PAYLOAD USAGE

 PU
 Use

 8
 Crew

 4
 Arm gunners

 20
 Onboard weaponn

32 Total

The incinerator is a dwarven antiinfantry mech. It is designed to complement other mechs, not to be deployed on its own, as it lacks the weaponry to take on other mechs. It acts as a "wing man" for mechs that are vulnerable to infantry.

The incinerator is named after the four flame nozzles mounted on its feet. They are only five feet from ground level, just the right



height for attacking infantry. The incinerator's arms are disproportionately large, particularly its hands, which are in the shape of gigantic fists. Protruding from each hand are two firing ports. Two dwarven gunners sit in each fist, equipped with whatever their mission calls for: crossbows, steam guns, or flasks of burning oil. Their high elevation gives them a good vantage point for firing at nearby infantry, especially as the mech pilot maneuvers the arms into the best possible position.

The mech's fifth firing port is in its torso, next to the steam cannon mounted there.

The steam cannon is almost always used for firing at tough-looking or distant infantry targets rather than

other mechs, but it is available for antimech use if the need arises.

There one more distinguishing feature of incinerator. Its legs are almost perfectly smooth. muzzles of the flame nozzles less extend than 3" from the mech's legs, and the seams between the armored plates are perfectly snug. This makes the legs extremely difficult to climb, as described below.

Special

The entire surface of the mech is made as smooth and rounded as possible, to minimize the ability of infantry to climb it. Climb checks against an incinerator have a -2 circumstance penalty. Moreover, ranged touch attacks to latch a grappling hook or other climbing device on also suffer a -2 penalty.

IRON MAIDEN

Size: Colossal III
Power Source: Steam
Payload Units: 64
Height: 75 ft.

Space/Reach: 35 ft. by 35 ft./35 ft.

Crew: 16 (weapons: 3)
Firing Ports: 35
Hit Dice: 144
Hit Points: 792

Critical Thresholds: Green, Yellow 396,

Orange 198, Red 79

Base Initiative: -2

Speed: 80 ft. (fast legs)

Maneuverability: Poor

AC: 2

Hardness: 14 (iron, Colossal III)

Base melee attack: +6 Base ranged attack: -2

Unarmed damage:

2d12 +1d6 +14

(combat spikes) **Trample:** largest

Gargantuan; safe

Large; damage 6d6 **Saves:** Fort 0, Ref –4,

Will —

Abilities: Str 38, Dex

6, Con —, Int —, Wis —,

Cha—

Mechcraft DC: 45

Base Planning Time: 90 days

Base Cost: 11,130 gp Total Cost: 16,639 gp

Labor Requirements: 15,360

man-hours

Construction Time: 96 days

(20 avg. laborers plus 2 overseers)

Special: Fast legs, combat spikes

PAYLOAD USAGE

PU	Use
16	Crew
32	Boarding party
16	Onboard weaponr
61	T-4-I



The iron maiden is one of the most feared mechs on Highpoint, with good reason. Not only is it operated by the Irontooth Clans (whose mech devil pilots are superior to those from all other mechdoms), but it is built from the ground up for one purpose: boarding and capturing enemy mechs. Since very few mechs have security crews on board, a single enemy boarder can usually take out even the most heavily defended mech. On top of that, the iron maiden is ferocious in appearance: Its face is a stylized skull, it is covered in jagged spikes, and its

Space/Reach: 35 ft. by 70 ft./15 ft.

Crew: 16 (weapons: 3 plus see below)

Firing Ports: 44 Hit Dice: 144 Hit Points: 792

Critical Thresholds: Green, Yellow 396,

Orange 198, Red 79

Base Initiative: -2

Speed: 60 ft.

Maneuverability: Poor

AC: 2

Hardness: 14 (iron, Colossal III)

Base melee attack: +6

Base ranged attack: +2 (precision aiming)

Unarmed damage: 2d12 +14

Trample: largest Gargantuan; safe Large;

damage 6d6

Saves: Fort 0, Ref -4, Will -

body and
weaponry are
twisted and demonic
in appearance.

A fully equipped iron maiden holds 32 raiders plus crew and weapons. Usually the raiders are seated 16 to a bore puncher. They are equipped with daggers, hand axes, and longswords (the former for close-quarter fighting, if necessary), and sometimes magnet bombs as well. The magnet bombs aren't useful for mechs that are to be captured, but for getting inside a mech and rapidly disabling it, they can't be beat.

Iron maiden crew are well aware of the effectiveness of their tactics. They are always armed and armored for close-quarters fighting, in case they themselves should be boarded.

JANZETER'S AMAZING MOBILE CANNON, MARK I

Size: Colossal III
Power Source: Steam

Payload Units: 80 (extra weapon mounts)

Height: 40 ft.

Abilities: Str 38, Dex 6, Con —,

Int —, Wis —, Cha —

Mechcraft DC: 45

Base Planning Time: 90 days

Base Cost: 11,130 gp Total Cost: 40,937 gp

Labor Requirements: 15,360 man-hours

Construction Time: 96 days

(20 avg. laborers plus 2 overseers)

Options: Extra weapon mounts (16),

precision aiming



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	T	ABLE 2-22: ONBOARD WEAPONS		
LOCATION	Arc of Fire	Weapon (damage, range in ft., other)	PU	CREW
LANCER ONBOARD WEA	APONS			
Right arm	Melee	Huge sword blade (2d8+Str/19-20)	4	1
Head	360°	Wand of magic missile (level 9) (5x ld4+1, 190)	1	1
Left arm	Melee	Huge lance (2d8+Str/x3)	4	1
Total			9	3
THE MOTHER ONBOARD	WEAPONS			
Right arm	180° forward	Gargantuan chain tentacle (2d8, 100)	8	3
Left arm	180° forward	Gargantuan chain tentacle (2d8, 100)	8	3
Total			16	6
RODWALKER ONBOARD	Weapons			
Left arm, top	180° forward	linked fireball (Ivl. 10) wand (10d6, 800, 20 ft. area)	1	1
Left arm, bottom	180° forward	linked fireball (Ivl. 10) wand (10d6, 800, 20 ft. area)	1	0
Right arm, top	180° forward	linked fireball (Ivl. 10) wand (10d6, 800, 20 ft. area)	1	0
Right arm, bottom	180° forward	linked fireball (Ivl. 10) wand (10d6, 800, 20 ft. area)	1	0
Total			4	1
SCALE HUNTER ONBOA				
Left shoulder	360°	Gargantuan javelin rack (2d8 (x5), 250)	8	2
Left arm	Melee	Gargantuan lobster claw (2dI2/I9–20)	8	2
Right shoulder	360°	Gargantuan chain tentacle (2d8, 100)	8	3
Right arm	180° forward	Huge steam cannon (2dI0/x3, I,000)	4	2
Right arm	Melee	Huge axe blade (2d8+12/x3)	_	1
Total			28	10
SCORPION ONBOARD V		11 11 1 (2 19 /10 20)	4	2
Left arm	Melee 180° forward	Huge lobster claw (2d8/19–20)	4	2
Left arm		Gargantuan steam cannon (3d10, 950)	4	2
Right arm Tail (rear)	Melee	Huge lobster claw (2d8/19–20)	8	3
Total	360 degrees	Gargantuan chain tentacle (2d8, 100 ft., ignore hardness)	24	9/special
Totat			24	3/ special
SKULL CRUSHER ONBO	ARD WEAPONS			
Right shoulder	360°	Colossal ballista (4dI0/x3, 200)	16	3
Right arm	Melee	Colossal axe blade (3d12+12/x3)	16	
Left shoulder	180° forward	Colossal catapult (4d8, 400)	16	3
Left arm	Melee	Colossal axe blade (3d12+12/x3)	16	
Total			64	8
SMIGGENBOPPER'S PER	AMBULATORY ORC O	nboard Weapons		
Location	Arc of Fire	Weapon (damage, range in ft., other)	PU	Crew
Right arm	Melee	Huge axe blade (2d8+8/x3)	4	1
Right arm	90° forward	Medium flame nozzle (2d8, 10)	1	1
Left arm	Melee	Huge ballista (2dI0/x3, 200)	4	I/special
Total			9	3/special

80	Total
64	Onboard weaponry
16	Crew
PU	Use
TATLOAD GSAGE	

Janzeter's amazing mobile cannon was the first howitzerlike device constructed on Highpoint. It is one of the oddest-looking mechs in existence. The chassis is long and short, unlike other mechs, and supports a single enormous steam cannon for practically its entire length. Balanced in the exact center of the barrel are two legs that bend backward, like a horse's. At the rear of the cannon rests a large, clear glass dome, laced by iron bands like those on a B-52 bomber, from which the gunners take their aim.

To make the picture all the more bizarre, a thirty-foot-long zeppelin floats from each end of the massive barrel. One crew member mans each zeppelin. The zeppelins help support the weight of the cannon and its huge ammunition supply, which cannot be lifted by the legs alone. When the mech is resting, the legs lock into a backward position and the zeppelins descend. When it is ready to move again, the zeppelins rise up, providing the extra lift necessary for the mech's legs to propel it. They also serve another crucial purpose: keeping the barrel steady while the mech moves. Without both zeppelins, the mech tilts like a seesaw as it walks, giving it an effective Dex of 0 and a speed of 30 ft.

Janzeter's model has since been refined into a four-legged version that does not require the zeppelins (mark II), as well as more reasonably proportioned models that carry weapons more suited to their size (mark III and IV). The original mark I is the classic that established Janzeter's reputation as a topnotch coglayer, however, and thus it is worth examination by any student of mechcraft.

The amazing mobile cannon is generally used for guarding strongholds, mountain passes, river routes, and other controlled terrain zones. Janzeter's invention is unwieldy and ponderous to maneuver, but it is nonetheless ten times easier to position than horse-drawn cannons, and far more powerful.



Special

Precision Aiming: Janzeter designed his mobile cannon for use as nothing more than a cannon on legs. As such, he installed a complicated system of different-sized gears that allows extremely precise positioning of the cannon barrel without moving the mech itself. A large wheel allows for big shifts in position (measured in yards), a second small wheel swings the barrel in one-foot increments, and a third wheel shifts its position one inch at a time. As a result, the mobile cannon receives a +4 bonus to ranged attacks (reflected in the profile above) at an additional cost of +2,000 gp. This system works only on mechs whose weapons are housed on the main chassis.

Zeppelin Rangefinding: The zeppelins are usually retracted once the cannon is parked, so as to reduce its profile. They can be raised to a height of up to 300 ft. above ground level, however. From this position they afford a spectacular view of surrounding terrain (especially when the mech is already positioned on a mountain) and can assist the mech in finding targets and firing ranging shots. Additionally, the crew member in the zeppelin can help the cannon fire indirectly by shouting coordinates for targets that the ground-based crew cannot see.

The zeppelin crew is usu-ally equipped with steam guns, which it uses to pick off any infantry that approach the mech.

Critical Hits: Any critical hit that would normally cause damage to the mech's arms instead hits one of the zeppelins, puncturing it and impeding the mech's movement as described above. Crew in a deployed zeppelin that is punctured fall to the ground, taking damage as usual. The zeppelins can be targeted independently; they have AC 12 and hardness 10 (due to multiple

overlapping layers of reinforced canvas). If a zeppelin takes even a single point of damage, it is punctured.

JUGGERNAUT

Size: Gargantuan

Power Source: Steam

Payload Units: 14 (extra weapon mounts)

Height: 25 ft.

Space/Reach: 10 ft. by 10 ft./10 ft.

Crew: 3 (weapons: 5)

Firing Ports: 14

Hit Dice: 24

Orange 33, Red 13

Base Initiative: -1

Speed: 40 ft.

Critical Thresholds: Green, Yellow 66,

Hit Points: 132

Maneuverability: Average

AC: 6

Hardness: 10
(iron)
Base melee
attack: +4

Base ranged attack: -1

Unarmed damage: 1d10

+8

Trample:

largest
Medium; safe
Small;

damage 3d6

Saves: Fort +2, Ref -2,

Will —

Abilities:

Adminies:

Str 26, Dex 8,

Con-, Int-,

Wis —, Cha —

Mechcraft DC: 36

Base Planning Time: 72 days

Base Cost: 1,391 gp

Total Cost: 7,788 gp

Labor Requirements: 1,920 man-hours

Construction Time: 24 days

(10 avg. laborers plus 1 overseer)

Options: Extra weapon mounts (4)



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The

juggernaut is the archetypal dwarven mech.

As were the earliest dwarven mech prototypes, it is built to resemble a heavyset, 25-foot-tall dwarf, complete with a stylized face and metal beard. Charging into battle at the head of an army, it is inspiring — at least to dwarves, who often use juggernauts to lead virtually any assault, whether or not mechs should be involved. Juggernauts are deployed even in defensive situations, if only to rally the troops.

A juggernaut has no hands. Instead, its arms terminate in rounded, fistlike appendages bristling with weapons. An axe head is built into the sides of its right fist, and a huge punching blade extends from the front. A total of three flame nozzles are built into the arms, one behind the axe head on the right and two on the left fist. Finally, a steam cannon is mounted between the shoulders.

The juggernaut is an all-purpose mech, intended for combat in almost any situation. When fighting other mechs, it uses its steam cannon until it has reached close combat range, then fights with axe and punching blades. Juggernauts generally reserve their flame nozzles for infantry, but in desperate times they are not above turning all three nozzles on full blaze. Even with the risk of explosion, a round or two of three full-blaze flame nozzles will destroy most opponents very quickly.

Special

Weapon Combos: With the left arm, the juggernaut can attack with either its flame nozzle or an axe blade or the punching blade, which is

treated as a sword. The flame nozzle on the left arm cannot be used while also using the melee weapons unless it is left on full blaze.

The driver may operate the arms or the steam cannon. With a full crew, the steam cannon may fire in the same turn the arms also attack.

For construction purposes, the axes and punching blades are considered one weapon. The cost is double the sum of the two weapons' normal cost.

LANCER

STEAM VERSION

Size: Gargantuan

Power Source: Steam

Payload Units: 12

(extra weapon

mounts)

Height:

25 ft.

10 ft. by 10 ft./10 ft.

Space/Reach:

Crew: 3 (weapons: 3)

Firing Ports: 12

Hit Dice: 24

Hit Points: 132

Critical Thresholds: Green, Yellow 66,

Orange 33, Red 13

Base Initiative: -1

Speed: 40 ft.

Maneuverability: Average

AC: 6

Hardness: 10 (iron)

Base melee attack: +4

Base ranged attack: -1

Unarmed damage: 1d10+8

Trample: largest Medium; safe Small; dam-

age 3d6

Saves: Fort +2, Ref -2, Will -

Abilities: Str 26, Dex 8, Con —,

Int —, Wis —, Cha —

Mechcraft DC: 36

Base Planning Time: 72 days

Base Cost: 1,391 gp

Total Cost: 10,699 gp

Labor Requirements: 1,920 man-hours

(plus magic items)

Construction Time: 24 days (10 avg. labor-

ers plus 1 overseer)

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