Planet Unknown - Multiplayer Rules Summary (v1)

Setup:

- 1. Fill SUSAN with tiles (adjust middle). Place in center of table.
- 2. Each player takes one Map board
 - Place **blue** lifepods on the indicated **blue** circles spots.
- 3. Each player takes one Corporation board
 - Place matching color tracker cubes on o for each track.
 - o Place white rovers at bottom left, one for each icon
- 4. Each player takes 2 triangles of their color
 - Place one next to SUSAN pointing to their "slice" of tiles in the depot. On each turn, they will choose 1 of the two tiles in their "slice". The other is placed on their map corner.
- 5. Randomly chose Civ cards for each rank (1 more than the number of players for each rank). Place in 4 facedown stacks.
- 6. Place **orange** meteorites and **green** biomass tiles on table
- 7. Set out Objective cards
 - o 2 players: 3 face up between players (neighbor side up).
 - 3+ players: 1 face up between players (neighbor side up).
- 8. Optional: set up Event deck (see end of this summary).
- 9. Give the **yellow commander token** to a player.

Playing a Round (simultaneous turns):

The <u>commander</u> may turn the SUSAN as wished. *If used, reveal & follow the top event deck card.* **Then each player:**

- 1. Takes one of the two tiles in their "slice" of the depot.
 - o If both tile areas in their "slice" are empty: **Game Ends.**
 - o If they cannot place either of their tiles: Game Ends.
 - However, they do get the bonuses for one of the tiles. even though the tile is not placed on their map..
- 2. Places the chosen tile on their planet map.
 - o Very first tile must be place along the map edge.
 - o Subsequent tiles must be adjacent to another tile edge.
 - o If placed on top of a **blue** lifepod, the pod is destroyed.
 - If placed on top of a rover, the rover is destroyed.
 - o If meteor icon is on the tile, put an orange meteorite on it.
- 3. Moves the tracker up 1 for each of the 2 resources on that tile
 - Note: Only move the **blue** water tracker if the tile covers blue ice on the planet map.
 - Note: Yellow energy has no track. Instead move the tracker for a track that is adjacent to that energy area.
 - If the tracker is already at the top, you cannot move it higher and get no bonus (except Rover always moves).
- 4. Acquires Bonuses on tracks that you advance the tracker.
 - Gold circles are medals that give end game points.
- o 5 **color** circles are synergy boosts. Advance ANY track +1
- 5. Special Notes for each Resource Track:

o Black Civ Resource Track

- If your tracker is on a Civ Milestone, take all the available Civ cards for the indicated level (1,2,3 or 4), keep one and replace the remainder face down.
 - If the bottom left says *Immediate*, get the bonus now.
 - If it says *End Game*, the bonus is at the game's end.
 - If two or more players reach the same Civ Milestone level on the same turn, select their cards clockwise starting with the **commander**.

o Blue Water Resource Track

- Only move the **blue** water tracker if a water square on the tile covers a **blue** ice square on the planet map.
 - This requirement is only during tile placement.
 - Advancing the blue water tracker at other times has no extra requirement.

o Green Biomass Resource Track

■ Advancing onto a **green** biomass milestone means take and place one **green** biomass square tile.

Red Rover Resource Track

- Gain a rover if advancing on a rover milestone.
- Move a rover(s) the number squares indicated.
 - Rovers move on tile or planet squares (*not diagonally*). Can split the moves between rovers.
 - Collect asteroids a rover encounters into the top right corner of the corporation board. Gain end game points.
 - Collect lifepods a rover encounters. Place in the top left corner of the corporation board. Gain end game points.

Output Clear Tech Resource Track

- Advancing onto a Tech milestone unlocks the indicated tech level (see right side of corporation board).
- Yellow Energy has no track. Instead advance a tracker in a resource that is adjacent to the energy area.

Begin the next round after all players have placed a tile and taken their bonuses by passing the **yellow commander token** to the next clockwise player.

End Game and Scoring:

Game ends **immediately** on the turn when a player is unable to play a tile (*see playing a round #1*) or if the optional event deck runs out. All players play THAT turn, then the game ends.

Each player tallies all their gold medals (victory points):

- Gold medals for each map row & column completely covered.
 Meteorites / lifepods block scoring for map row & column.
- Highest Gold medal that each tracker is on or has passed.
- 1 Gold medal per lifepod collected.
- 1 Gold medal for every 3 meteorites collected.
- Score Gold medals for Civ cards labeled "End Game".
- Score Gold medals for Objective cards if your planet wins or ties the comparison with your neighbor's planet.

In case of a tie, the fewest number of uncovered squares wins. If still a tie, the fewest meteorites on their planet wins.

Optional Event Deck:

Create an event deck of **20** cards of your choice. **Red** events are worst, **green** events best, **orange** events middling. Before starting a round, draw and resolve the next event card. **Game Ends** when there are no more event cards to draw.

Notes:

- Complexity rating for maps is the number of asteroid icons after the planet name. For corporations it is at the top right.
- You may choose which resource track to advance first.
- If you regress on a track you do NOT gain any benefits, but can reclaim benefits when advancing again.