

# Axis & Allies Global 1940 House Rules Expansion

## *Strategic Bombing*

The *Strategic Bombing* rule is one of the most detailed rules in the entire game.

The game mechanisms concerning *Strategic Bombing* are now as realistic as possible compared to *World War II History*.

### **Situation:**

During the planning of a *Strategic Bombing Campaign* players must now consider the *Fighter* cover that is needed to protect their *Strategic Bomber* units.

Not only must the *Strategic Bomber* units survive the enemy anti aircraft artillery – but they must also be heavily protected by *Fighter* units before they can even get through to the *Target Area*.

This requires more planning than ever, since their own losses might be overwhelming compared to the success they can achieve by targeting an enemy *Industrial Complex*.

### **Why:**

- The planning of a *Strategic Bombing Campaign* is a major challenge
- The overall cost to conduct a *Strategic Bombing Raid* must be considered and compared to the possible losses that can be inflicted on the enemy
- During the battle – ***Air-To-Air Combat Over Target Area*** - the *Strategic Bomber* units are constantly in danger of being shot down before they can get through to their target
- The enemy *Fighter* units that defend the *Industrial Complex* have an increased strength compared to the strength of the *Fighter* units that protect (Escort) the *Strategic Bomber* units.  
This is due to the fact that defending *Fighter Pilots* are closer to their home base – they are well rested just before they are scrambled – they are closer to refueling and rearming – and they are fighting over their own territory which also has a positive effect on morale
- A *Strategic Bomber* unit can also defend itself during ***Air-To-Air Combat Over Target Area*** –the airmen inside a *Strategic Bomber* who man the heavy machine guns, open fire against the *Fighter* units that defend the *Industrial Complex*
- If the *Strategic Bomber* units have survived ***Air-To-Air Combat Over Target Area*** they must now also survive the enemy anti aircraft artillery that protects the *Industrial Complex*.

More details for *Strategic Bombing*: see pg. 23 in the *Axis & Allies Global 1940 House Rules Expansion*.

*Captain*

