



# LUMINA

*A System of Combat Choreography & Gaming*

*The following document contains the essential work that is LUMINA as an educational guide to stage weapon-based choreography and the basis for our choreography sport. The intention of this work is for teaching others and contributing to it as a language.*

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## Written by

This work is assembled and edited by Alfred Smith, founder of SaberCraft and original author of the LUMINA Duels and Duets Game Systems. The CM Core library is a collected work from members of SaberCraft including: Alyssa Smith, Santiago Martinez, Cole Hemp, Luis Meurice, Thom Timko, Armando Valdivia, Amen Abdou, Kristianna Jones, Samantha Huddleston, Sarah Cole, Ana Jacome, Julie Failde and many others. Each provided contribution to the CM Core library and many hours of testing and instructing the material.

## How you can use this work

We are working really hard to develop this program, all of its classes, building the community, building an online and offline presence, coordinating with local studios and media outlets and making sure we have a place to practice and people to practice with. Doing all this takes time and money which our founders have put their time and energy on. It's very easy to just take our notation and open up your own "academy" and call yourself a "Master Instructor". In doing so you fragment the community rather than help building it.

In the end, this movement is a side-hobby that we feel passionate about. What we would like to avoid is doing all this work and have someone steal it, open their own studio/class/group and cause contention.

While there is no need to do that, some folks may be tempted. Interested in starting your own thing? **Then why not work with us.** We've done all the heavy lifting. We've done all the mistakes. We can guide you down the right path, ensure that your group will grow, you can make money or gain fame from it and best of all – support you. To be a part of LUMINA or teach this system doesn't require you to change names or to restart what you're doing. It's a language that's meant to be taught and shared. **Join LUMINA as your own school's league and join in the saber play!**

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## Get LUMINA started in your area

If you are new to LUMINA and want others to join in on the fun, it has to start with you. Every grassroots organization starts with folks like you. If you have a passion for sabers and battling like something out of the movies has been something you've always longed for, you can get started much easier than enrolling in a course and spending lots of time and money.

Our lessons are free and are online. Joining our team is just as easy as registering on our website and contributing to the conversation while meeting new people from all over the world. So now it's up to you.

### Start a Team

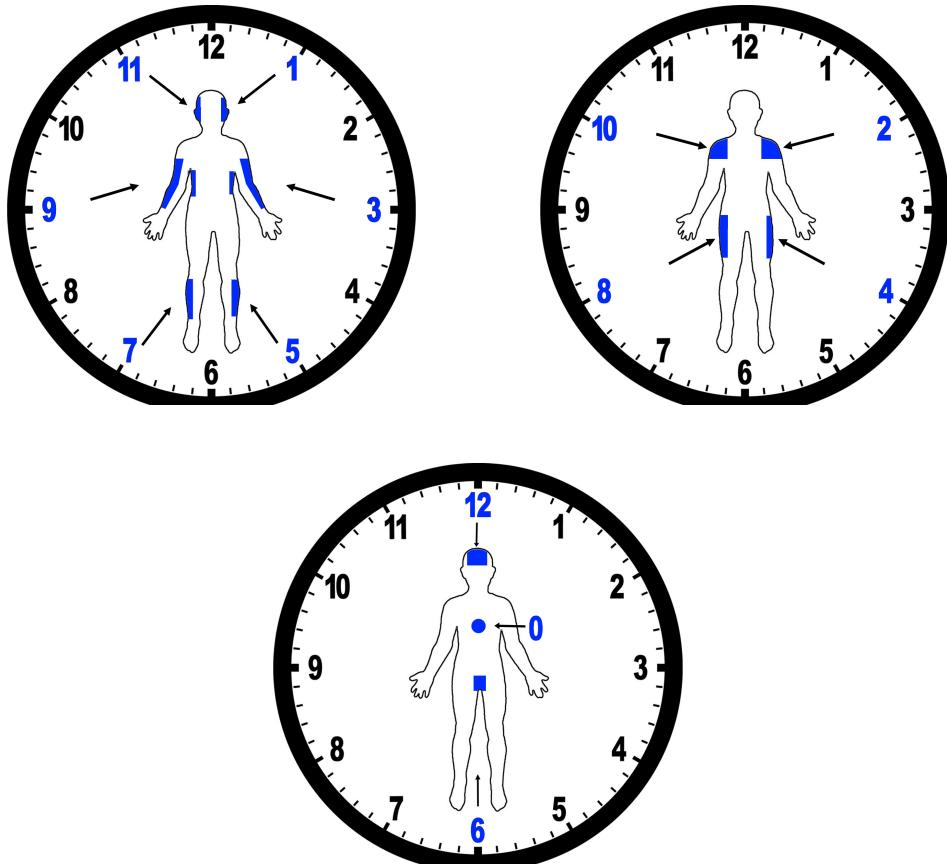
1. **If you have your own school already,** simply set up a LUMINA class day where you'll show your students or the public the fundamental CMs.

**2. If you don't have a school, and it's just you,** find a park where you can meet others and contact us and let us know. We'll set up a Facebook Event and a Meet-up in your area to help get things moving along.

**3.** After you've met with others who are interested, **start practicing the routines.** Over and over, going up and down the ladder until you have a good rhythm with them.

**4. Establish a League Representative** that is the organizer of your team. Let us know and we'll publish you under our Chapters and help build your team's growth.

# Targets



*For Strikes and Defenses please see our  
online instructional videos at  
[SaberCraft.org](http://SaberCraft.org)*



# SaberCraft

## LUMINA Notation

The following below is the LUMINA Notation System used for choreographies.

Legend		Flourishes	
Symbol	Meaning	Symbol	Meaning
1	1-o-clock attack	FI-Rev	Reverse Flourish (Saber Spin)
1P	Parry an attack to the 1-o-clock target (attacker's perspective)	FI-Fwd	Forward Flourish
(C)	Complete	FI-F8	Forward 8s Flourish
(C)A	Complete Wide - Vertically Across	FI-R8	Reverse 8s Flourish
B	Bash	FI-Sb	Stab Flourish
S L>R	Spin Left to Right	FI-H	Overhead / Helicopter Flourish
S R>L	Spin Right	FI-P	Vertical Front Propellor Flourish
Th	Forward Thrust	FI-RP	Vertical Flourish behind your back
S+	Saber Stand-off - prolonged lock	1H	One handed
X	Lock	FI-OA	Plum / Obi-Ani Flourish
H	Hold		
P	Parry (Block)		
Ig	Inverted Grip		
Pt	Pitch		
M	Modifier (example: 3PM6 - Parry 3 with tip pointing down)		
Su	Support		
Rh	Right Handed		
Lh	Left Handed		
Re	Recoil / Bounce Back		
H	Hop - Jump		



# SaberCraft CM Core Notation Worksheet

The following are a catalog of Choreographed Movements assembled and notated for LUMINA choreographies.

**CM**

**Telegraph Points**

<b>CM A</b>	Lumen A	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>						ASL - A	<b>1</b>
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<b>CM B</b>	Lumen A	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>		ASL - B	<b>2</b>
	Lumen A	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>											

<b>CM C</b>	Lumen A	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2@a</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5@a</b>	<b>12@a</b>		Fl-Fwd	<b>2</b>
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<b>CM D</b>	Lumen A	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2P</b>	<b>10P</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4P</b>	<b>8P</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>		Fl-Rev	<b>3</b>
	Lumen B	<b>1P</b>	<b>11P</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3P</b>	<b>9P</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5P</b>	<b>7P</b>			
	Lumen A	<b>12@a</b>	<b>G9P</b>	<b>6 St B</b>										
	Lumen B	<b>Bl-1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6 St B</b>										

<b>CM E</b>	Lumen A	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3X</b>	<b>Special</b>					Saber Across Position 3	<b>3</b>
	Lumen B	<b>9P</b>	<b>4P</b>	<b>8P</b>	<b>5P</b>	<b>11P</b>	<b>3X</b>							
	Lumen A	<b>2P</b>	<b>10P</b>	<b>3P</b>	<b>7P</b>	<b>1P</b>	<b>Special</b>							
	Lumen B	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>								

<b>CM F</b>	Lumen A	<b>Bl - 4 F-Duck</b>	<b>Turn 180 R</b>	<b>Bl - 3 Left</b>	<b>Bl - 3 Left</b>	<b>Bl - 4 F-Duck</b>	<b>Special</b>						Lumen A: No Saber  Lumen B: 2 Arms Out	<b>3</b>
	Lumen B	<b>Charge 2@</b>	<b>Turn 180 R</b>	<b>12, turn 90 Left</b>	<b>12, turn 90 Left</b>	<b>Charge 2@</b>								
	Lumen A	<b>Bl - 1 Left</b>	<b>Turn to Face</b>	<b>Bl - 1 Right</b>		<b>Duck</b>	<b>Bl - 1 Left</b>	<b>Jump Back</b>	<b>Bl - 1 Right</b>	<b>Bl - 4 Left</b>	<b>Disarm</b>			
	Lumen B	<b>12</b>	<b>Turn to Face</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Spin L &gt; R</b>	<b>10 @</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9 @</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>				

<b>CM G</b> <i>CM 13</i>	Lumen A	<b>0</b>	<b>S+:</b> (pull left)	<b>X</b>	<b>10@</b>	<b>2@</b>	<b>5X (short)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Spin L &gt; R</b>	<b>11X (push off)</b>		Fl-F8s	<b>2</b>
	Lumen B	<b>3P&gt;9PX</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>(pull right)</b>						<b>Spin L &gt; R</b>				
	Lumen A	<b>3@</b>	<b>9@</b>											
	Lumen B	<b>Dodge</b>	<b>Dodge</b>											

<b>CM H</b>	Lumen A	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>						H-Hold	<b>1</b>
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<b>CM I</b>	Lumen A	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2@a</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7@a</b>	<b>11</b>		Prop	<b>2</b>
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<b>CM J</b>	Lumen A	<b>Ig 3P</b>	<b>Ig11</b>	<b>Ig1</b>	<b>Ig7</b>	<b>Ig3-Spin</b>	<b>Ig 3P</b>						Ig-Fl-Fwd	<b>2</b>
	Lumen B	<b>3</b>	<b>11P</b>	<b>1P</b>	<b>7P</b>	<b>3P-Spin</b>	<b>3</b>							
	Lumen A	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>								
	Lumen B	<b>5P</b>	<b>9P</b>	<b>3P</b>	<b>7P</b>	<b>11P</b>								

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<b>CM K</b>	Lumen A	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>7X</b>		<b>1P</b>	Duck	<b>3P Back</b>	<b>9PX</b>		Lumen A: 2 fingers pointed out  Lumen B: Staff 5 Hold	<b>3</b>
	Lumen B	<b>L1P</b>	<b>R5P</b>	<b>Spin R-L</b>	<b>L7PX</b>	<b>X-O</b>	<b>R1</b>	<b>L10 ©</b>	<b>L3</b>	<b>R9X</b>			
	Lumen A	<b>11P</b>		<b>5P</b>	<b>12P</b>	<b>11P</b>	<b>4P</b>	Duck					
	Lumen B	<b>L11B</b>	<b>Spin R-L</b>	<b>L5</b>	<b>R12</b>	<b>L11</b>	<b>R4</b>	<b>J10 ©</b>					
	Lumen A	<b>3P</b>	<b>8P</b>	<b>4P</b>	<b>7 © Spin L-R</b>	<b>9 ©</b>							
	Lumen B	<b>L3</b>	<b>R8 Back</b>	<b>L4</b>		<b>3 ©</b>							

<b>CM L</b>	Lumen A		<b>9P</b>	<b>5P</b>	Jump	<b>3P</b>						Lumen A: Staff 2 fingers out + Saber behind  Lumen B: Overhead Helicopter	<b>3</b>
	Lumen B	<b>Fl:P L-R</b>	<b>R9</b>	<b>L5</b>	<b>R7 © (x2)</b>	<b>L3</b>							
	Lumen A	<b>1P</b>	<b>11P</b>	<b>4P</b>	<b>8P</b>	<b>1P</b>	<b>3P Back</b>	<b>9PX</b>					
	Lumen B	<b>R1</b>	<b>L11</b>	<b>R4</b>	<b>L8</b>	<b>R1</b>	<b>L3</b>	<b>R9X</b>					
	Lumen A	<b>L1P</b>	<b>R5P</b>	<b>12P</b>		<b>12P</b>	Run	<b>7 © Jump</b>	<b>Fl-Fwd</b>	<b>7 © Jump</b>	<b>Fl-Fwd</b>		
	Lumen B	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>12</b>	Kick	<b>12</b>	<b>Fl-Fwd</b>	<b>7 ©</b>	<b>Fl-Fwd</b>				

<b>CM M</b>	TBD												
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<b>CM N</b>	Lumen A	<b>1</b>	<b>Ig 1</b>	<b>Ig11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Ig 1</b>	<b>Switch Grip</b>	<b>7 ©</b>	<b>7 ©</b>	<b>Spin S &gt; R</b>	Lumen A: Ig 2 Sabers Behind	<b>2</b>
	Lumen B	<b>1P Dodge L</b>	<b>1P Dodge L</b>	<b>11P Dodge R</b>	<b>11P Dodge R</b>	<b>1P Dodge L</b>	<b>1P Dodge L</b>		<b>Jump</b>				
	Lumen A	<b>Fl: OA</b>	<b>6 ©</b>	<b>6X</b>									
	Lumen B		<b>Step Back</b>										

<b>CM O</b> <i>CM 51 52</i>	Lumen A [Tanaka]	<b>7C</b>	<b>1C</b>	<b>9C</b>	<b>5C</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1B</b>	<b>0</b>				Lumen A: Saber Pos3 Warrior Pose	<b>3</b>
	Lumen B (Musashi)	<b>Dodge L</b>	<b>Dodge R</b>	<b>Dodge Back</b>	<b>Spin R&gt;L</b>	<b>12P</b>	<b>1B</b>	<b>OP L&gt;R</b>					
	Lumen A [Tanaka]	<b>7B</b>	<b>1X</b>	<b>SS</b>									
	Lumen B (Musashi)	<b>7B</b>	<b>1X</b>	<b>SS (Push L)</b>									
	Lumen A [Tanaka]	<b>4P</b>	<b>8P</b>	<b>4P</b>	<b>8P</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9C-B</b>	<b>4</b>					
	Lumen B (Musashi)	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1P</b>	<b>7C-B</b>	<b>4</b>					
	Lumen A [Tanaka]	<b>0</b>	<b>7P</b>	<b>5X</b>	<b>12X</b>								
	Lumen B (Musashi)	<b>OP-UP</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5X-M</b>	<b>12X (Ig)</b>	<b>12X (Ig)</b>							

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<b>CM P</b>	Lumen A	Kick	4	9	5	7B	5©	Plum	1x 180	SR CC	1B	Lumen A: Claw held out + Position 1	<b>3</b>
	Lumen B	Drama	4P	9P Inv	5P	7B	J back	Plum S R>L	1PX 180	S R>L	1B		
	Lumen A	7B	1B	12	5B	7B	3	3P Inv	1	12	3X		
	Lumen B	7B	1B	12P	5B	7B	3P Inv	3	1P	12P	3P X		

<b>CM Q</b>	Lumen A	12 R	11@	Turn CW	9 BB	12 Px	Step side	12 push	Take Saber			Lumen A: Claw held out + Position 2	<b>1</b>
	Lumen B	11 @	12R	Turn CCW	9 P Inv	12 X	Fall O	Saber down					

<b>CM R</b>	Lumen A	Blend 90 L	Lh Ig 11	Lh Ig P3	S+ Pull right	Step Back	Duck + Special	Flourish	3P	S+ Pull right			<b>3</b>
	Lumen B	12		3X	Pull left	Shove	10©	Retreat + Pose	3X	Pull left	Down hard		
	Lumen A	Special	Pose	Step back	12P	9P	Special + push	Blend 180 L	Blend 180 L	12			
	Lumen B	retreat		6©	12B	9B	0	1©	0				


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# Warm ups & Yoga

It's important to always begin a session with some warm ups and stretches. We recommend the following:

## Exercise

Light run	30 secs of cardio
Squats	Count of 15
Wrist stretches	Fingers out, Mountain - wrist to chin, Twist - palm to shoulder

## 3 Sun Salutations

### Pose

Mountain
Fold
Half-fold
Plank
Low Plank
Upward Dog
Downward Dog
Fold
Mountain

### Benefits of posture

posture, tip of head to toes
lower back, shoulder, hamstrings, abs
Mid/upper back, shoulders hamstrings, abs
feet, thighs, calves, shoulders, chest, abs, triceps
feet, thighs, calves, shoulders, chest, abs, hands, triceps
top of feet, chest, shoulders, neck, lower back, triceps
feet, thighs, hamstrings, entire back, triceps, neck, claves, shoulders, chest, abs
lower back, shoulder, hamstrings, abs
posture, tip of head to toes

# Post at Chapter Meets

## RULES

By entering the building, you agree to abide by these rules in addition to the SaberCraft Liability Waiver, & Harassment & Photography Waiver.

You are entering into a sacred space where we practice yoga, meditation and choreography. To best serve participants who have dedicated their time to be here, we require that these rules be followed. Violations of the rules may result in verbal correction, having the student sit out for part of or all of the class or suspension/expulsion of participant. Penalty will result as the situation & instructor deems appropriate based on the situation.

## SAFETY

- Sign all waivers & check-in prior to entering.
- Do no harm. Strikes resulting in injury will be investigated & may involve participant being banned.
- Report all injuries immediately. There is a first-aid kit available and an Incident Report must be filled out.
- Avoid wearing jewelry.
- For footwear, bare feet or non-slip shoes/sneakers only.

## RESPONSIBILITY

- No food or drinks in practice space. Food & drink are permitted in waiting area assuming you clean up after yourself.
- Turn off all mobile phone ringers. Exception: If you are "on-call", please inform instructors prior to beginning of class & phone must be on your person on Vibrate Mode.
- Avoid being late for class. Outside doors close 10 minutes after class begins. If you are late, please contact a Level 2 instructor at [786] 315-9133.
- Adult Classes are for individuals ages 14 and older. Unattended children are not allowed inside. Parents, if you are participating in class and have children present, then another guardian/adult [18+] must supervise your children at all times.
- Teens (ages 14 – 17) must practice solely with accompanying guardian.
- Stay present and let others stay present as well. Try not to distract instructors and support staff when they are handling their responsibilities.
- No chewing gum.

## EQUIPMENT

- Inspect all equipment & sabers prior to entering practice space.
- Turn off saber sounds.
- Malfunctioning sabers must be set aside until class break or end of class. Use a backup saber until it is an appropriate time to make a repair. See instructor for backup saber if necessary.
- Sabers must be machine-made standard such as Ultrasabers, SaberForge, Vaders Vault or any brand of quality. No Do It-Yourself / home-made sabers are allowed.

## RESPECT

- Respect Rank. If you need guidance, please see a Knight wearing a sash. The higher the rank, the more the Knight is an authority on SaberCraft and its teachings.
- No offensive behavior, language, or conduct. Derogatory or passive aggressive banter are un-welcome.
- Silence is golden: No talking allowed in practice space unless participating in class. Avoid chatter and focus on movement. Attendees in waiting area, please take conversations & phone calls outside.
- Knights must wear sashes as their uniform in order to have the privilege to instruct/guide.
- No wandering around in practice area. If you are not actively participating in a section of the class, please sit in the waiting area until you are ready to join the class.
- The studio space is closed at 1:30pm sharp. If you have someone picking you up, please ensure they are here no later than 1:30pm.

# LUMINA

**Lumina** is a sport where participants, also known as **Lumens**, compete against each other for points in timed rounds either player against player or team against team.

**Skip all the reading and just see the video walkthrough:**

<http://sabercraft.org/learnlumina>

**Lumina** is a weapon-combat dancing sport where participants, also known as **Lumens**, compete against each other for points in timed rounds either player against player or team against team. The focus is on the choreography play occurring between 2 opponents. The objective is to use prearranged combat **Choreographed Movements (CM)** sequences to either out perform your partner or to work as a team with and accrue the largest amount of successfully delivered and defended sequences. Hits are not encouraged but rather penalized. A CM Index is provided in Figure 1.

All attacks are communicated prior to an exchange by the use of Telegraphy. Telegraphy is a silent gesture that the attacker performs to specify what CM they will be delivering. The concept of Lumina is usually demonstrated with melee weapons but not limited to saber or staff. Weapons are used as instruments and are, in most cases, harmless as they should be blunt instruments and are used primarily as props for the purposes of the game. Safety is encouraged with the use of safety gear such as eye protection, padded gloves and anything that makes the player feel comfortable while not encumbering them.

## Glossary

Like any language, we have to establish the playing field by agreeing to general terminology. Please refer to this glossary when reviewing LUMINA Rules:

**SaberCraft** - a system that teaches combat choreography dancing, yoga and author of the Temporal Notation system and CM-Core Index.

**Lumeneer** - A student of a SaberCraft school who has studied SaberCraft CMs.

**Lumens** - Players are called "Lumens"

**Choreographed Movements CM**: a sequence of choreographed movements assembled into a pattern. Usually noted as "CM" followed by an identifier (e.g. CM-A or CM-B).

**Powerplay** - a combination of 2 CMs successfully performed consecutively.

**Exchange**: a sequence of Choreographed Movements taken during a player's turn.

**Turn** - one exchange between players where one participant does their Exchange. In a 2 person game, the turn ends after 1 player has completed 1 exchange. When their turn is completed, then their opponent's turn begins. When both turns are completed, then a round is said to be over.

**Match** - a series of rounds between 2 Lumens.

**Game:** A collection of matches of the same type: either Against the Clock or Round Based

**Game Type - Numbered Match** - When a series of turns between 2 opponents has completed. Example, a match can be based on 3 rounds with each round presenting 2 turns. This would give the players 3 rounds where they have 1 turn per round. A total of 6 turns between both players will result.

**Game Type - Against the Clock** - When an unlimited series of turns between 2 opponents has completed in a designated amount of time. The standard Against the Clock game is done in 2:00 minute matches per Duet Team.

**Game - Division: Friendly** - a one-time game with no points granted or counted for the season. Usually done as a one-off.

**Game - Division: Competitive** - the standard game whereby points accumulated by a Lumen are added to their seasonal score.

**Win** - a count of points granted to a player (Duel) or team (Duet) for successfully completing a Match.

**Draw** - an equal amount of points granted to players of a match

**Loss** - a count of given to the player who scores the lesser amount of points in a given match

**Ranking:** overall standing taking all players into account

**Incomplete** - a turn that is interrupted by the attacker missing a particular move in a CM.

## Tournament terminology:

**Round Points:** a bonus number of points gained for reaching a particular round in a tournament

**Tournament Points:** a bonus number of points gained for successfully completing a tournament

**Lane** - A series of matches that ascend as players are eliminated from a tournament.

**Set (Tournament)** - a group of Lanes in a tournament.

**Tournament** - A day event within a season. Accumulation of matches.

**Season** - An accumulation of competitive Games usually lasting 7 months based on a calendar year.

# LUMINA Duets

**Lumina Duets** is a LUMINA game type where participants, also known as **Lumens**, compete in teams against each other for points in timed or numbered rounds. The goal is for each team to successfully complete as many CMs as they can in a round. Each successfully played & defended CM earns the team points. Each team's Lumens work together to achieve the highest amount of points in a round. Each round, teams face off and points are accumulated. Points are counted as successfully committed and defended CMs. The objective of each round is to obtain the highest amount of points. The winners are the team with the highest score at the end of the game. Each round, victors will compete against each other until 2 remain. The winner of the game is the team that completes the last round with the most points.

Visual demonstration available: <https://youtu.be/vE-s8R2vxxY>

## Rules:

1. Play must be conducted in a 30x30 square arena.
2. Determine how many rounds are needed to end the match: 4, 8, 12 or specify if it is a timed match, e.g. a 2-minute match with unlimited number of rounds.
3. Each round is consisted of turns which are consisted of exchanges..
4. A turn is where 1 participant engages against the other player using either 1 CM or up to 2 CMs (in a PowerPlay) of choice.
5. Participants switch role as attacker after each turn.
6. Attacker must telegraph to Defender of incoming CM.
7. CMs are pre-assigned combinations of points. Each CM is a different value and divided into 3 categories:
  1. Simple CMs are worth 1 point.
  2. Advanced CMs are worth 2 points.
  3. Extended CMs are worth 3 points.
  4. *Styled pauses & locks are also counted as steps. Interrupting pauses nulls points in turn.*
8. Team is awarded points if attacker and defender successfully complete the CM the attacker intended.
9. Points are awarded to the team, not the players.
10. Attackers must step forward.
11. Defenders must step backwards.
12. If attacker forgets a strike or defender misses the attack, the CM is invalid and the turn switches to the defender. See **Recovery**.
13. CMs can be played in combinations resulting in a “Power Play” for an additional point. Attacker must combine 2 different telegraphs prior to engaging in the attack. A maximum of 2 CMs can be played consecutively. Power Play points are granted to the winner of the turn. Depending on the complexity determines the points.
14. For example:
  1. 2 Simple CMs: +1 = 3 Total Points  
For example: CM A (worth 1 point) + CM H (worth 1 point) PLUS +1 for the Power Play results in a total of 3 points for that turn.
  2. 1 Simple + 1 Advanced: +1 = 4 Total Points  
For example: CM A (worth 1 point) + CM G (worth 2 points) PLUS +1 for the Power Play results in a total of 4 points for that turn.

3. 2 Advanced CMs: +1 = 5 Total Points  
For example: CM I (worth 2 points) + CM J (worth 2 points) PLUS +1 for the Power Play results in a total of 5 points for that turn.
  4. 1 Advanced CM + 1 Extended CM: +1 = 6 Total Points  
For example: CM J (worth 2 points) + CM K (worth 3 points) PLUS +1 for the Power Play results in a total of 6 points for that turn.
  5. 2 Consecutive Extended forms: +1 = 7 Total Points  
For example: CM E (worth 3 points) + CM K (worth 3 points) PLUS +1 for the Power Play results in a total of 7 points for that turn.
15. **Optional:** Weight classes have different saber thickness. The larger the opponent, the thinner the saber.
16. Striking participant incurs a penalty upon injury to partner. The worse the injury, the worse the penalty.
17. Striking participant incurs a penalty upon injury to partner. The worse the injury, the worse the penalty. Minimum penalty is 1 point, maximum penalty is disqualification.
18. Matches should be non-verbal. Recovery must be non-verbal.

## CM: Choreographed Movements Award Chart

### POINTS:

<b>Simple: +1</b>	<b>Advanced: +2</b>	<b>Extended: +3</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CM-A</li> <li>• CM-H</li> <li>• CM-Q</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CM-B</li> <li>• CM-C</li> <li>• CM-G</li> <li>• CM-I</li> <li>• CM-J</li> <li>• CM-M</li> <li>• CM-N</li> <li>• CM-R</li> <li>• CM 11 - RJ 1</li> <li>• CM 12 - RJ 2</li> <li>• CM 13 - RJ 3</li> <li>• CM 22 - KV 2</li> <li>• CM 23 - KV 3</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CM-D</li> <li>• CM-E</li> <li>• CM-F</li> <li>• CM-K</li> <li>• CM-L</li> <li>• CM-O</li> <li>• CM-P</li> <li>• CM 14 - RJ 4</li> <li>• CM 21 - KV 1</li> <li>• CM 24 - KV 4</li> <li>•</li> </ul>

Figure 1

**Powerplays are always a modifier of +1**

Individual Lumina chapters may develop their own CM chart and point allocation system as long as all Lumens are familiar with the recognized CMs.

## Additional Rules

**Repetitions: Repeated choreographed movements - Single CM** - repeating a single CMs in consecutive rounds after the 1st instance, lose an 1 additional point for each repetition after the initial delivery. Single point CMs (e.g. CM-A) drop to 0 points granted after the 2nd consecutive use.

*Example 1:*

*Lumen 1 commits A - 1 points granted.*

*Lumen 2 commits A - 0 points.*

*Example 2:*

*Lumen 1 commits D - 3 points granted.*

*Lumen 2 commits D - 2 points.*

*Example 3:*

*Lumen 1 commits E and fails - 0 points.*

*Lumen 2 commits E - 3 points granted.*

**Repeated CM combination in consecutive Powerplays** - repeating a combination of CMs consecutively nullifies any Powerplay bonus granted in the 2nd round and every further round that the PowerPlay is repeated in either order.

**Optional: Repeat a CM either alone or in a PowerPlay three times (3x) in a row results in 0 points for the 3rd CM and beyond until Lumens introduce another lone CM or set of CMs in a Powerplay.**

*Example 1:*

*Lumen 1 commits C-D - 6 points granted.*

*Lumen 2 commits A-C - 4 points granted.*

*Lumen 1 commits C-B - 0 points. This is the 3rd time CM-C was used consecutively.*

*Example 2:*

*Lumen 1 commits C-D - 6 points granted.*

*Lumen 2 commits A-C - 4 points granted.*

*Lumen 1 commits A-B - 4 points. In this turn, CM-C is not used at all.*

*Lumen 2 commits C-D - 6 points granted. CM-C is allowed because the last turn did not use CM-C.*

**Repeat a CM powerplay 2x in a row results in -1 UNLESS the 1st attempt wasn't a success**

*Example 1:*

*Lumen 1 commits C-D - 6 points granted.*

*Lumen 2 commits C-D - 5 points granted.*

*Example 1:*

*Lumen 1 commits C-D and fails - 0 points.*

*Lumen 2 commits C-D - 6 points granted.*

**How to play:**

1. Gather several participants
2. Split them into teams of 2 lumens each
3. Roll a die or flip a coin to determine opening team. Roll with the highest number is selected winner and opens the game or the team can designate order.
4. Flip a coin for opening attacker or use other selection method.
5. Specify if the matches are time based (e.g. 2 minute match with unlimited rounds) or round based (e.g. 5 round match - each player has 5 turns for a total of 10 exchanges).
6. Begin timer for 2 minutes or round 1.
7. Lumen A telegraphs a CM of choice to Lumen B
8. Both engage in the turn
9. Upon successfully completing the CM, the roles switch

10. Lumen B telegraphs a CM of choice to Lumen A
11. Both engage in the turn
12. Upon successfully completing the CM, the turn is over and roles switch
13. Upon finishing the 2nd turn, the round is over. Continue to next round.
14. Repeat until timer is completed or designated end round has completed.
15. Determine points based on CMs & Powerplay combinations.
16. Team that rolled next highest number goes next.

**How to win:** Winners are the team who achieves the most amount of points.

### Recovery

Recovery is the act of saving a failing CM during the exchange. If a team partner loses their place, or is confused and their partner can get them back on track in less than 2 moves, the CM is “recovered” and counts for its full points including powerplays. To define “brining duets back on track” it all comes down to pace. Both partners should work together in order to pickup a possibly incomplete CM or Powerplay by continuing a particular pace throughout the CM that does not deviate. Two or more misses of a CM constitutes an Incomplete.

Example Recoveries:

1. *If the lumens ended up switching (offensive vs defensive) but both made switch at same time and completed (just the opposite side). Assuming the pace remain consistent, this counts as a recovery.*
2. *If the lumens ended up switching (offensive vs defensive) in mid-CM but both made switch at same time and completed (just the opposite side). Assuming the pace remain consistent, this counts as a recovery.*

### Winning the Season

1. Champions become judges in following cycle that can assist players in the following season. Their role is titled the “Baseline” as their score is not tallied but they may participate with active Lumens who are competing in order to provide them an advantage with their proficiency. Baseline may team up with Lumens and participate as their partner. Their partner receives the points from the round, however the Baseline does not.

2. *As per the Observances of Knight training, there is no hoarding. By finishing in 1st place in a particular season, that Lumen is disqualified from participating in the next season as they are to focus on judging/coaching. They may serve as a Baseline in addition to judging. If the Lumen opts not to judge 75% or more of the following season's matches, they are disqualified from participating in the following season's games.*

### Handicaps

A Handicap is when you offer an advantage/disadvantage to your players. On any given game, a set of CMs may be worth higher or less points. This can help “shake things up” as a CM that usually is worth many points may, for a game, be considered worth less.

For example, say in your upcoming game, your judges agree that CM-N and CM-G are worth 5 points while CM-D and CM-E are worth 1 point. This helps challenge your Lumens to learn as many CMs as possible so they are always ready when handicaps are thrown into the play.

Handicaps should be communicated at least 2 weeks before the next game.

Handicaps apply to both formats of the game.

# Continuing Your Journey

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