

Special End Of The World Issue

# CARS VS ZOMBIES

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**TESTED:** SILVA BULLET GT, KAI XT Coupe, DURRSCHMIDT ALL-WHEEL DRIVE LX,  
**PLUS:** PERRINS ALPHA, THOMPSON L57 TURBO, HUBBELL SHOCKS, YEN BREAKS  
BUEHLER THX SOUND SYSTEM, THIESSEN SECURITY SYSTEMS, AND MORE.

## CRUISE IN STYLE

TESTED ON THE MEAN STREETS



### Style Guide

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# Art Direction Overview

- Strong Color Palette
- Personality through Silhouette
- Detailed Textures
- Humor Through Design & Animation



**Story Summary**  
 You witnessed your family get eaten right in front of you during a video phone call while at work. You lost your mind, commandeered a highly top secret car and are now out for revenge. You are a surviving member of S.W.A.T. (or whatever); you have a bad ass prototype car (K.I.T.T. from Knight Rider is a damn wimp), a bad attitude, hate zombies and want to smash their faces in! As you progressively kill zombies and complete missions you can research greater tech for your car and ultimately new killing vehicles.

**Characters**  
 Z.A.C.s (Zack): Zombie Assault Cars; the badass zombie killing machines the player controls.  
 Johnny Awesome (or whatever you call yourself): The driver of Z.A.K.s, filthy mouth, bad attitude and an unnatural gift for driving and killing zombies. Good thing the

## Character Concept



## Vehicle Concept



in your car if you drive into them. You'll need some fancy pants zombie killing tech on your car if you want to ram their skulls back out their poop-shoot or the safer (but more wimpy way) is to shoot'em. If they get close enough to punch your car, well... don't let that happen either.

Zombie S.W.A.T.: Whoops, someone sucked at their job, good thing you don't. In any case, these guys can shoot back. Priority #1 kill if you see one.

Zombie Behemoth: The big mamma-jamma of them all. These guys rarely appear and are tough as nails to kill (again), but if you do you just might be awarded one of those Federal Tokens to buy some "sweet, sweet, make love to it" research upgrades for your car! At the very least a fat wad of Credits.

Zombie Fatty: These are bigger than your average meat-bags and can really put a dent in your car if you drive into them. You'll need some fancy pants zombie killing tech on your car if you want to ram their skulls back out their poop-shoot or the safer (but more wimpy way) is to shoot'em. If they get close enough to punch your car, well... don't let that happen either.

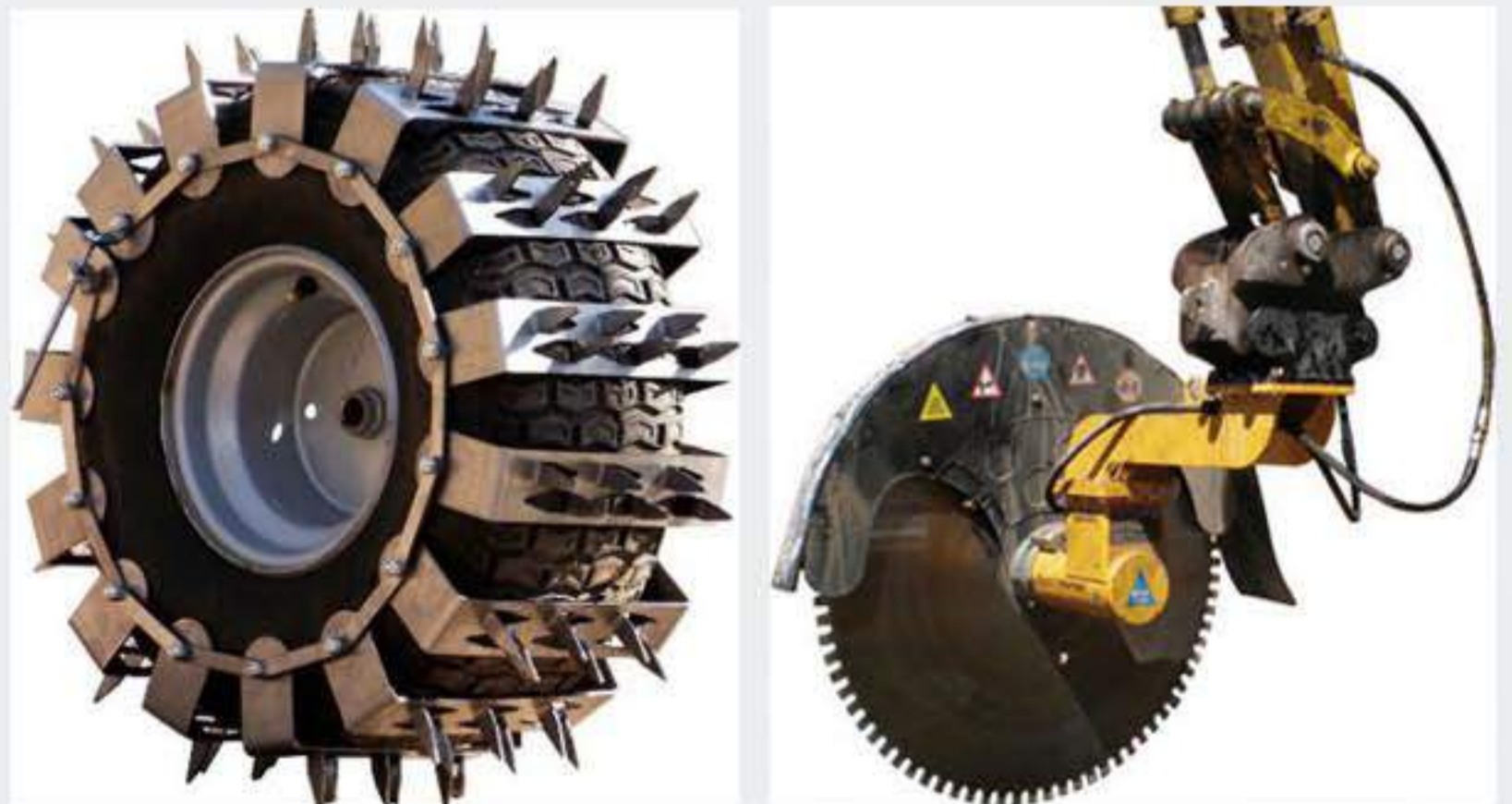
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**Work In Progress**

**Texture Detail**

## Advertisement



## Vehicle Upgrades

3 Payments of \$599.00  
 Call 888-555-7734



# Reviews

## Car Style Guide

- **Warped Versions of Existing Vehicles** More Contours, Sharper Lines, Oversized Details, Etc.
- **3 Car Types (Small, Medium, Large)**
- **2 Texture Sheets Per Car** Greyscale Diffuse For Color Change & Details Texture Sheet.
- **2,000 Tri Poly Count Or Less** Extra Poly Count Will be Used By Weapons.

### Vehicle Reference



### Vehicle Concept



Work  
In  
Progress

Texture Detail

### Small Vehicle



### Medium Vehicle



### Large Vehicle



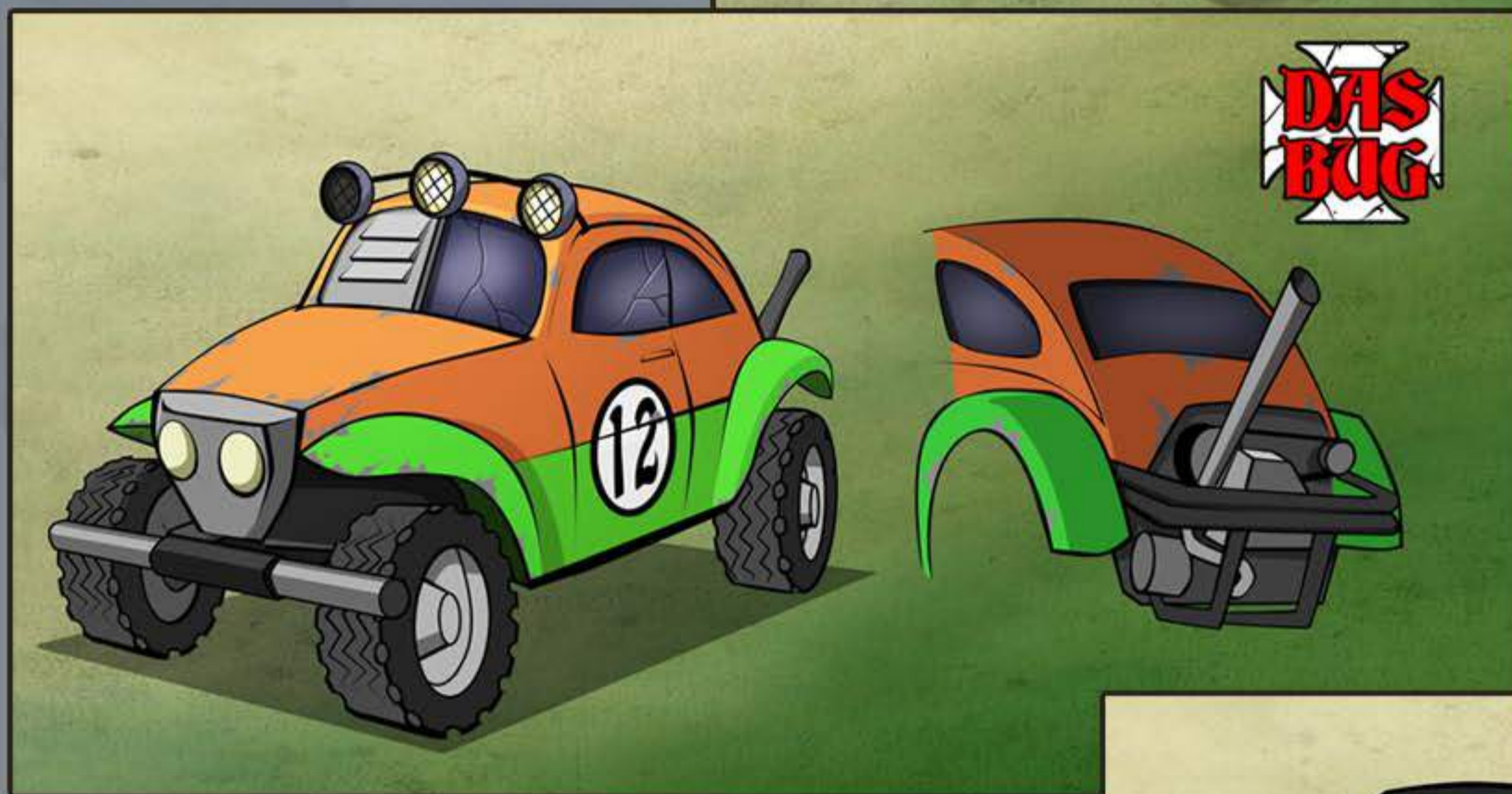


# Reviews

## Small Car Guide

- **Warped Versions of Existing Vehicles** More Contours, Sharper Lines, Oversized Details, Etc.
- **2 Texture Sheets Per Car** Diffuse w/ Alpha For Color Change & Details Texture Sheet If Needed.
- **1,500 Tri Poly Count Or Less** Extra Poly Count Will be Used By Weapons.

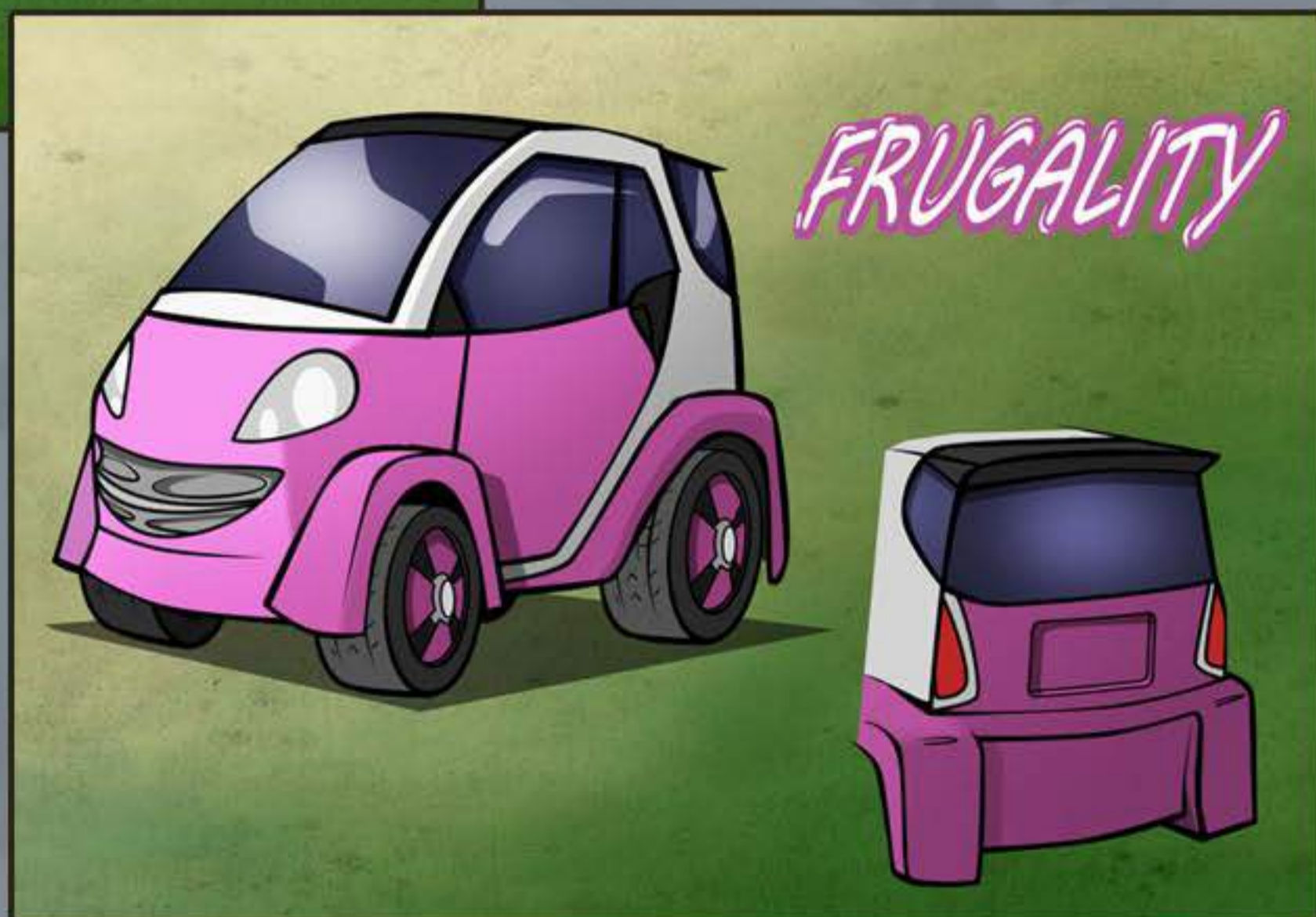
### Vehicle Concept



Details



Diffuse w/ Alpha





# Reviews

## Medium Car Guide

- **Warped Versions of Existing Vehicles** More Contours, Sharper Lines, Oversized Details, Etc.
- **2 Texture Sheets Per Car** Diffuse w/ Alpha For Color Change & Details Texture Sheet If Needed.
- **1,800 Tri Poly Count Or Less** Extra Poly Count Will be Used By Weapons.

### Vehicle Concept



Diffuse  
w/ Alpha



Details

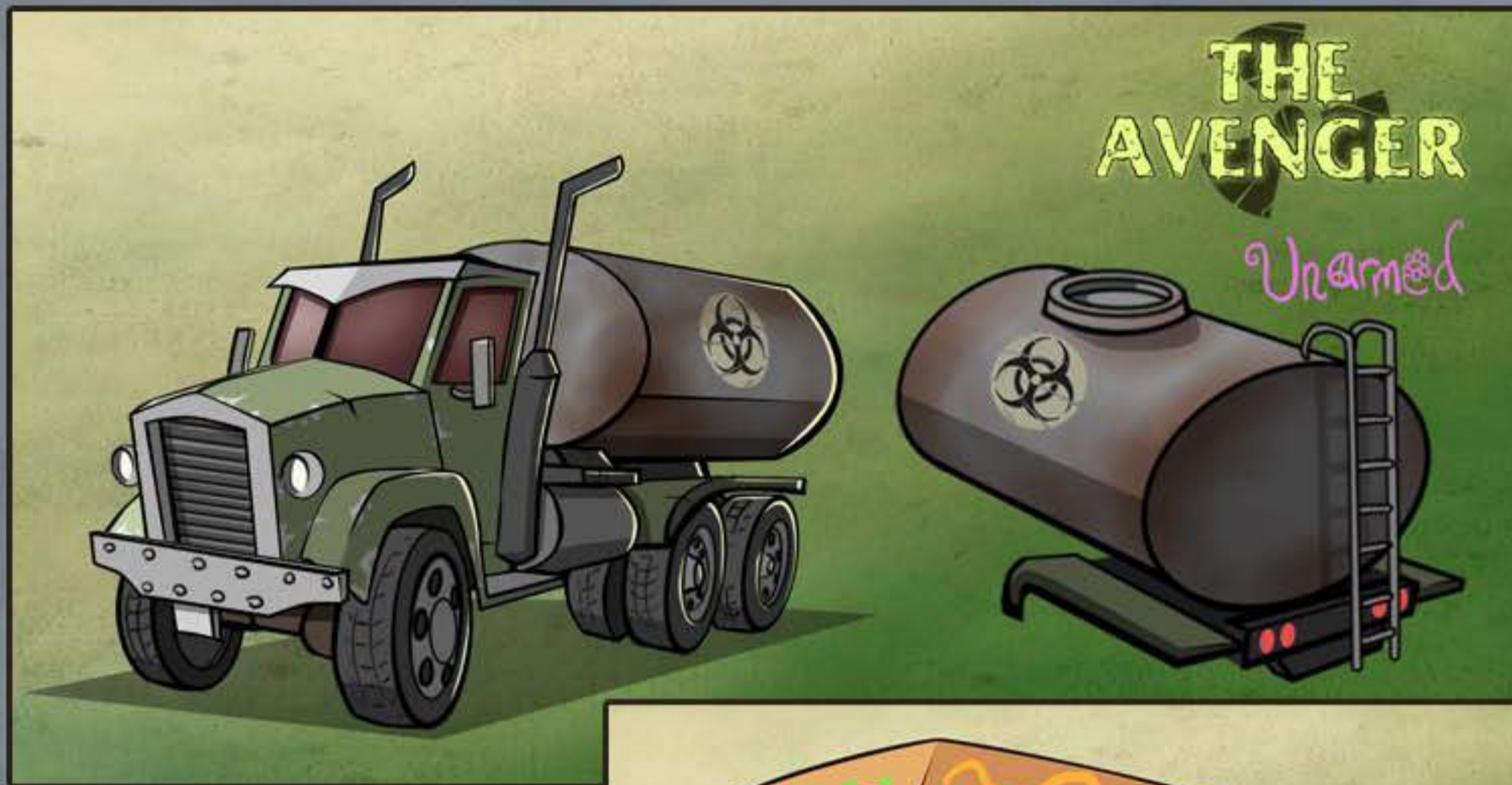




# Reviews

## Large Car Guide

- **Warped Versions of Existing Vehicles** More Contours, Sharper Lines, Oversized Details, Etc.
- **2 Texture Sheets Per Car**
- **2,000 Tri Poly Count Or Less** Extra Poly Count Will be Used By Weapons.



Vehicle Concept



Diffuse  
w/ Alpha

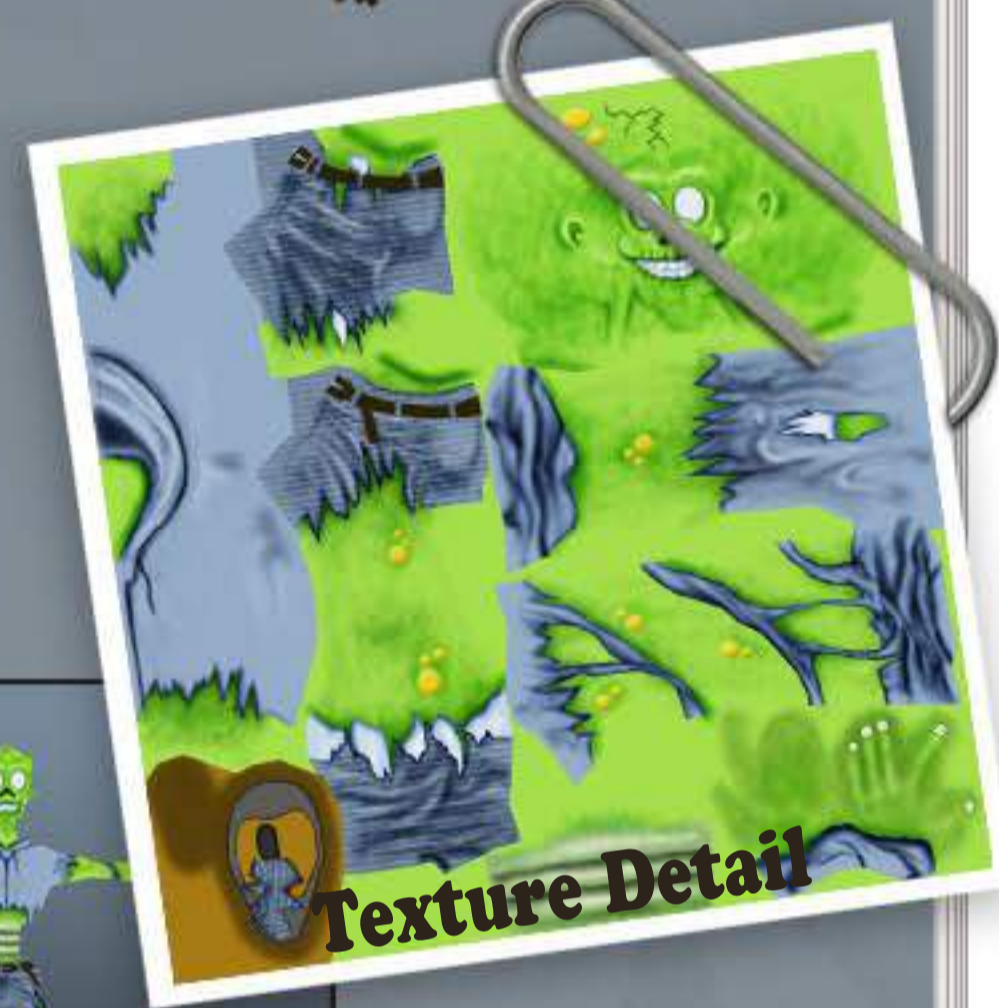
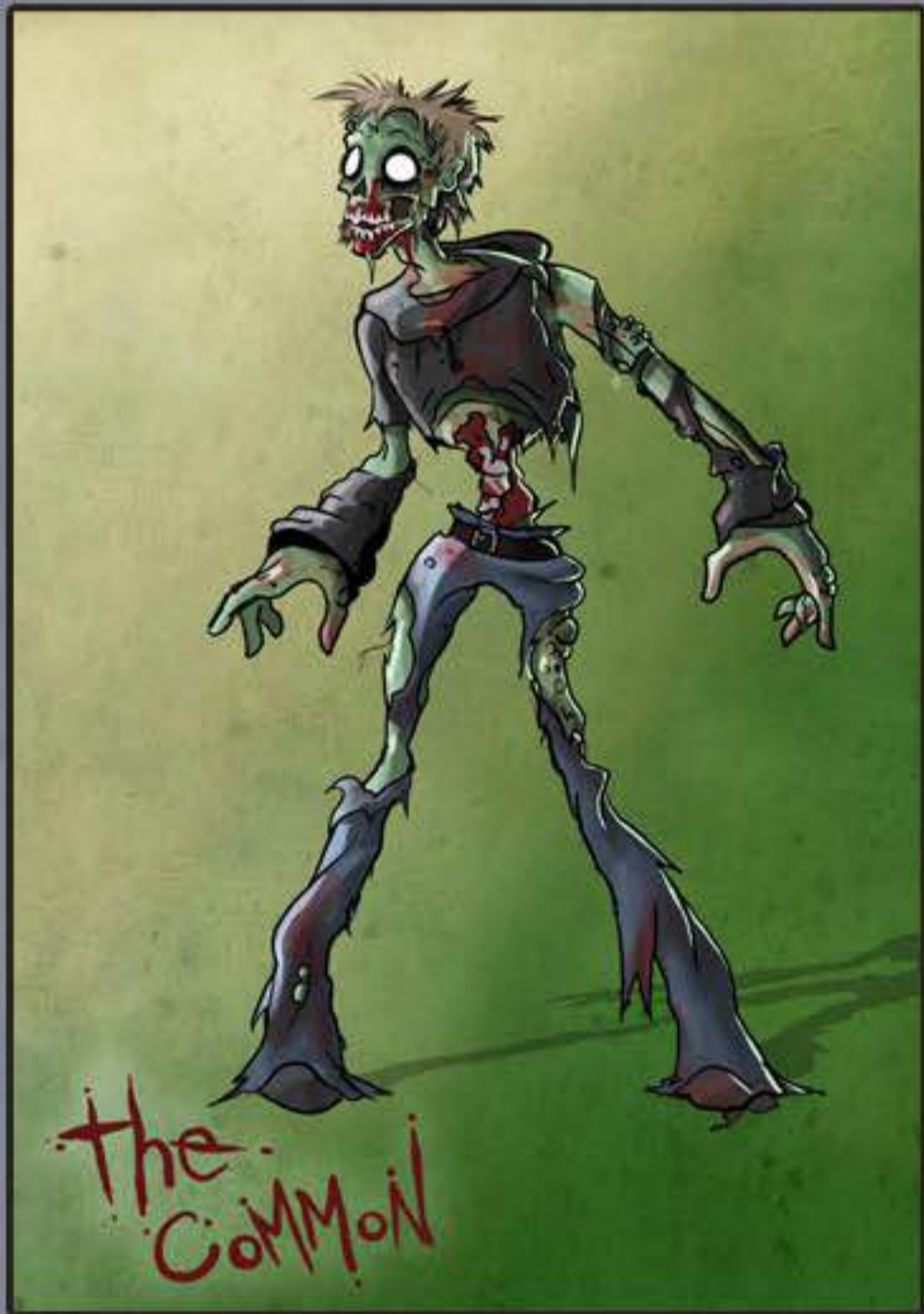




# Interview

## Zombie Style Guide

- Strong Silhouettes To Show Character
- Saturated Color Palette
- 1200 Tri Poly Count Or Under
- 512x512 Texture Sheets





# Interview

## Walker Zombie

- Strong Silhouette To Show Character
- Green Color Palette
- 700 Tri Poly Count Or Under
- 1024x Texture Sheet
- 6 Bones





# Interview

## Runner Zombie

- Strong Silhouette To Show Character
- Teal Color Palette
- 900 Tri Poly Count Or Under
- 1024x Texture Sheet
- 20 Bones



1.75 cm





# Interview

## Chucker Zombie

- Strong Silhouette To Show Character
- Blue Color Palette
- 850 Tri Poly Count Or Under
- 1024x Texture Sheet
- 12 Bones



1.85 cm





# Interview

## Goober Zombie

- Strong Silhouette To Show Character
- Green Color Palette
- 1200 Tri Poly Count Or Under
- 1024x Texture Sheet
- 16 Bones



2.5 cm





# Interview

## Fatty Zombie

- Strong Silhouette To Show Character
- Red & Purple Color Palette
- 1000 Tri Poly Count Or Under
- 1024x Texture Sheet
- 16 Bones



2.5 cm





# Interview

## Behemoth Zombie

- Strong Silhouette To Show Character
- Orange/Red Color Palette
- 1800 Tri Poly Count Or Under
- 1024x Texture Sheet
- 25 Bones



4.5 cm





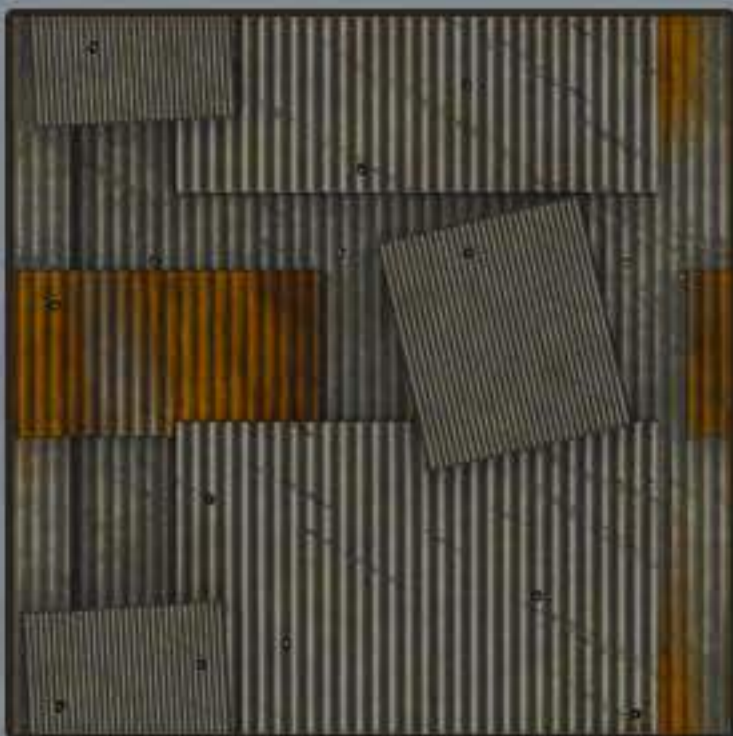
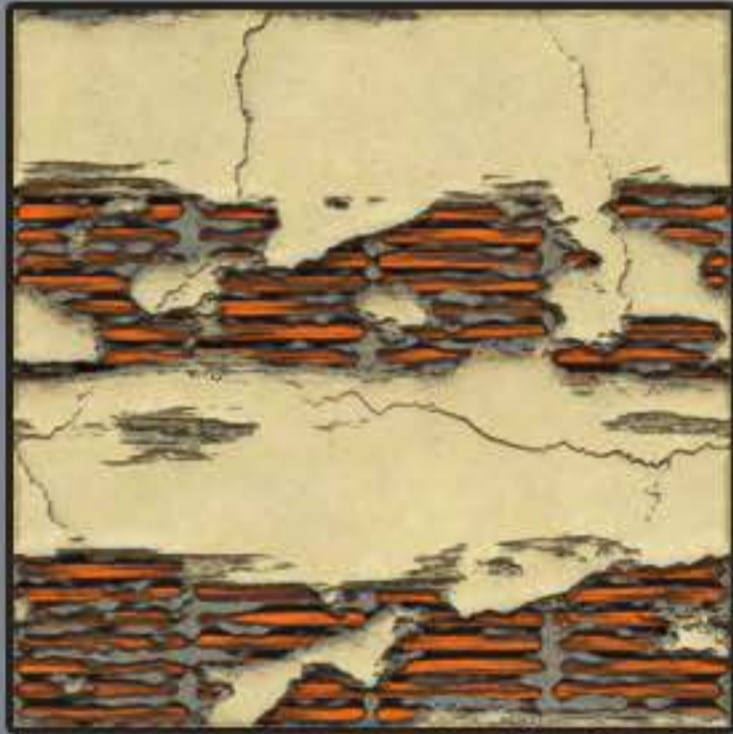
# Destinations

## Environment Style Guide

- **4 Areas Of Cityscape Ravaged By Zombies** Damage, Decay, Fire, Etc.
- **Color Palette Not As Saturated As Cars or Zombies** More Earth Tones.
- **Tiles Created In Maya, Assembled In Unity** Instance As Much As Possible.
- **Detail Level Should Match Characters & Cars**
- **Normal Maps Option To Be Researched**



### Texture Samples



### Paintover Concepts





# Destinations

## Environment : Docks

- **Area Ravaged By Zombies** Damage, Decay, Fire, Etc.
- **Color Palette Not As Saturated As Cars or Zombies** More Earth Tones.
- **Tiles Created In Maya, Assembled In Unity** Instance As Much As Possible.
- **Detail Level Should Match Characters & Cars**

Docks



Crane should be geo, does not need to be this detailed.



Buildings should have different silhouettes (3 types)



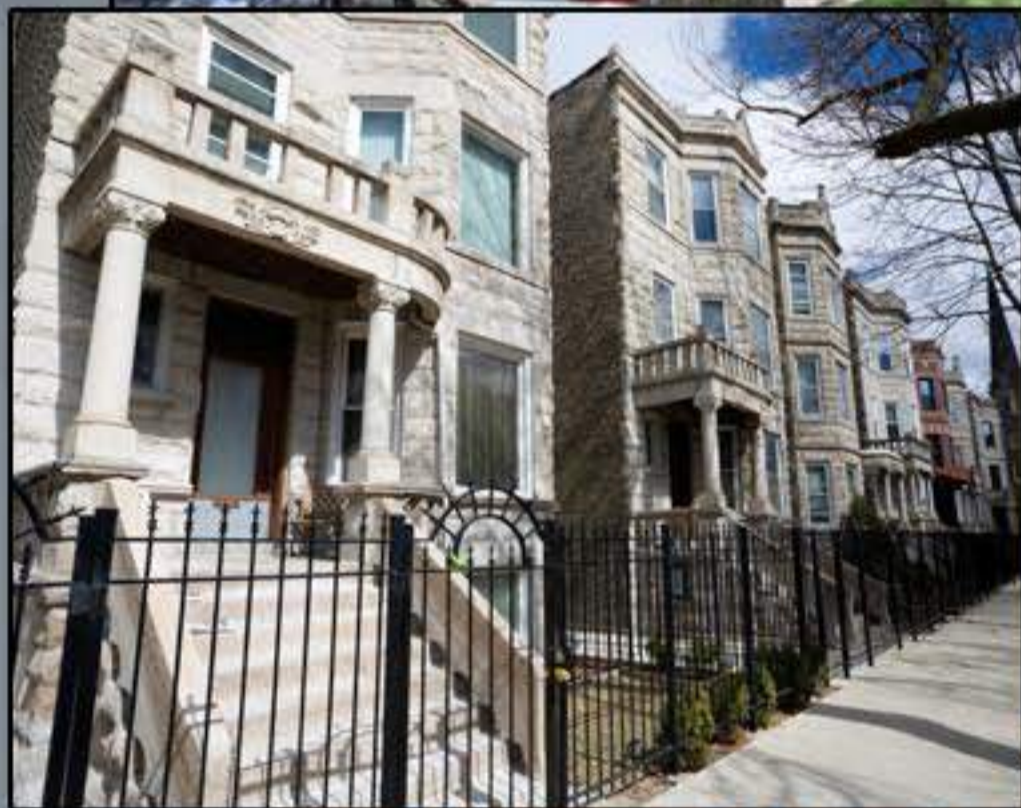
Containers stacked to create barriers & structures.



# Destinations

## Environment : Urban Residential

- **Area Ravaged By Zombies** Damage, Decay, Fire, Etc.
- **Color Palette Not As Saturated As Cars or Zombies** More Earth Tones & Metals
- **Tiles Created In Maya, Assembled In Unity** Instance As Much As Possible.
- **Detail Level Should Match Characters & Cars**



**Brownstones**



**Park**



**Houses**



**Open Air Mall & Strip Mall**



# Destinations

## Environment : Downtown

- **Area Ravaged By Zombies** Damage, Decay, Fire, Etc.
- **Color Palette Not As Saturated As Cars or Zombies** More Earth Tones & Metals
- **Tiles Created In Maya, Assembled In Unity** Instance As Much As Possible.
- **Detail Level Should Match Characters & Cars**



**Construction**



**Pavillion**



**City Hall**



Map details should be above & below player.



# Movers & Shakers

## Animation Style Guide

- Unique Movement For Each Zombie Type
- Poses Need To Read From Distance
- Bone Count Should Be As Low As Possible
- Animations Packs: (TBD)



### COMMON

Medium moving speed

Stiff movements

6 Bones



### RUNNER

Fast moving speed

Fluid movements

20 Bones



### CHUCKER

Slow moving, drags larger leg

Large arm throws projectiles

12 Bones



### BEHEMOTH

Medium moving speed

Fluid movements

25 Bones



### GOOBER

Medium moving speed

Shoulder sack should pulsate

16 Bones



### FATTY

Slow moving speed

Wobbles as he walks

Blocks and Head butts car

16 Bones





# Talk Back

## User Interface Style Guide

- Controls Should Mimic Car Details
- Font Types: (TBD)
- Hero Icons Should Use Police Colors Blues, Greys, Reds, & White.
- Zombie Elements Should Use Reds & Greens

Vehicle Upgrade Reference



Mission Selection Reference



Screen Mock-up





# Marketplace

## Weapon & FX Style Guide

- 5 Categories Of Weapon Upgrades
- Weapon Upgrades Should Appear Slightly Oversized On Vehicle
- Death & Blood FX Varies By Weapon Type
- Melee Weapon FX Unique To Each Weapon (TBD)

Missile Launcher  
References



Machine Gun  
References

Melee Weapon  
References





# Technology

## Technical Specifications

### Maya Settings:

Working Units: Centimeters

Time: 30 FPS (NTSC Field)

Up Axis: Y

### FBX Export Should Be Set To Centimeters

#### Cars:

Polycounts: 2000 Tri MAX

Texture Sizes:

Diffuse: 1024x1024

Details: 512x512

#### Zombies:

Polycounts: 1200 Tri MAX

Texture Size: 1024x1024

Bone Count: 25 Max

Texture Sheets: 1

### Environment:

Polycounts: 35,000 Tri MAX On Screen Occlusion Culling Used To Reduce Renderables.

Texture Sizes:

Diffuse: 512x512 MAX Most Textures Should Be 256x With Ground & Skybox at 512x.

Normal: 256x256 MAX Ground only. Removable If Performance Issues Arise.