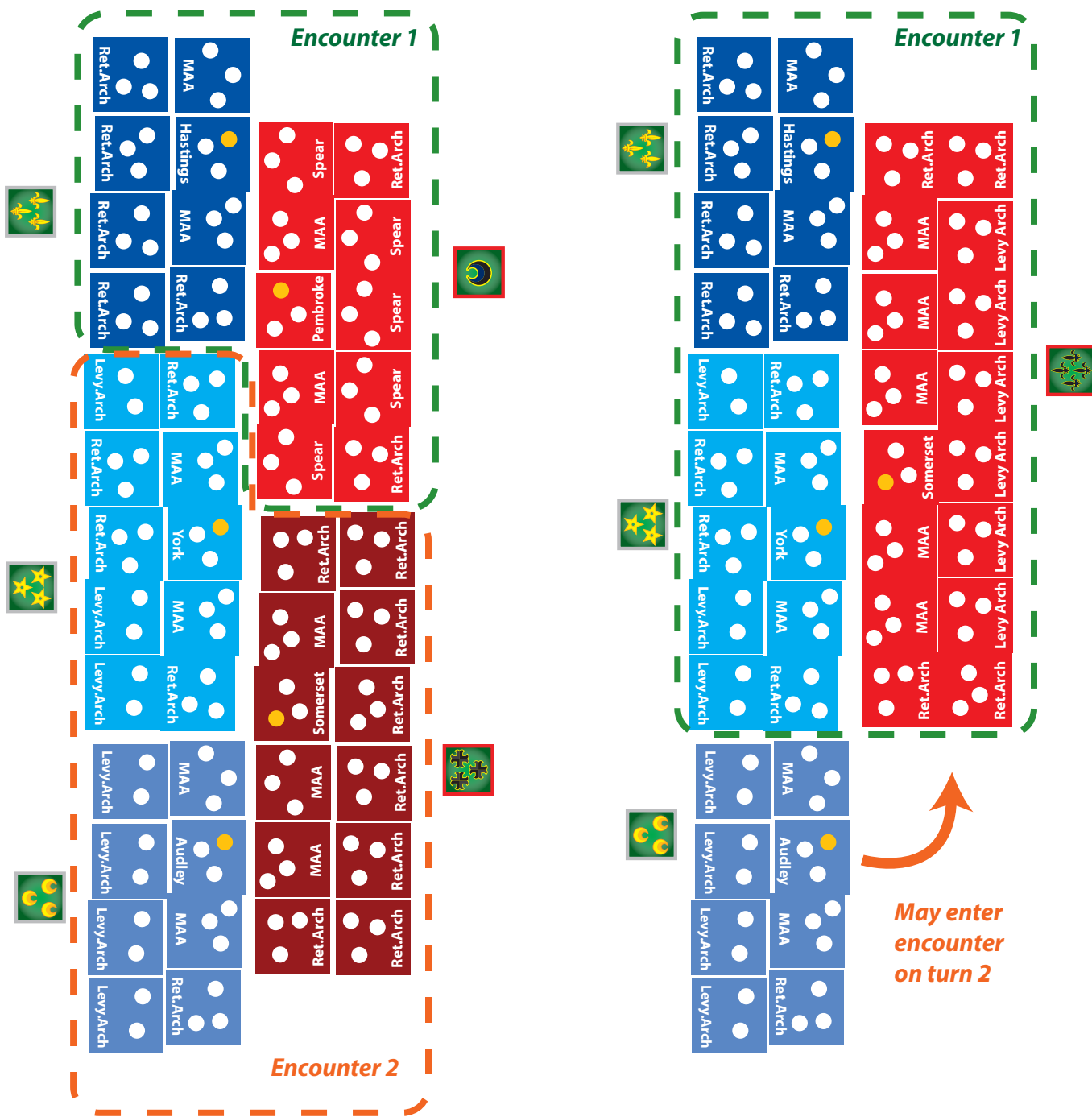


# Multiple Company Encounters



A. A Yorkist Ward commanded by the Duke of York (various blue shades) has just performed a steady attack and come into contact with a Lancastrian ward commanded by the Duke of Somerset (reds). It is the start of the Handstrokes phase, and it is up to York, whose ward has more companies, to declare his encounters. The companies commanded by Hastings and Audley have no choice- they must target Pembroke's and Somerset's companies respectively, as they are in contact with no others. York has to choose who his own company will target, but it is clear that he has more stands in contact with Somerset, so he must choose his company, leaving Hastings to encounter Pembroke alone.

B. In this example, the same Yorkist ward runs into a different Lancastrian one. This time Somerset commands only one large company. The Yorkists hit this company at the end of their attack with only two of their companies in contact. Audley's unit will not figure in the encounter on this turn, but will be able to wheel into contact on a subsequent turn.