

Elven Culture
Elven Aging

Key ages

Elven Years	Human Equivalent	Description of Elven Age Features
-18mths	-9mths	Conception to birth is a gestation period of 18 mths. Time of birth is predictable to within 2-4 weeks. Fastest physical growth; 'foetus' stage
0	0	Birth. Fast physical growth; 'baby' stage
6	2	Toddling and walking begins. Babbling stage of language
9	3	The basics of language are acquired, simple vocabulary.
15	5	Elven oral language acquired in full, though lacking adult sophistication
21	7	Mandatory schooling begins. Physical growth slows; 'child' stage
54-61	12-13	Physical appearance of an undeveloped teenager; puberty begins
89	17	For most elves, full adult height attained, end of puberty reached. Mature appearance. Chances of safe childbearing much improved.
96	18	End of mandatory formal study. 96 th birthday parties common to mark end of schooling and start of 'teenage' pre-majority adulthood years. 96 is an auspicious number - a multiple of 12.
110	20	Formal age of majority. Debutante balls are held as a rite of passage, adult clothing styles and hair styles may now be worn. Physical aging slows to lowest rate; 'adult' or 'spring' stage begins
250	35	Middle age, physical aging rate increases again to childhood rate; 'mature' or 'summer' stage begins. Fertility decreasing. First stat changes (see PHB)
271-349	38-42	Middle age, fertility ending rapidly; onset of menopause for many women, fertility decrease for many men
376	53	Old age, physical aging rate remains constant; 'elder' or 'autumn' stage begins. Second stat changes (see PHB).
495	70	Venerable, physical aging rate increases; 'venerable' or 'winter' stage begins. Markedly increased mortality rate from this age. Third stat changes (see PHB). Hair often uniformly silver-grey or white at this age, increased requirement for meditation to 6hrs.
695	111	Maximum age possible to be reached. Mortality for PCs at 495 plus 2d100 years.

Aging Rate Changes and Age Equivalency Calculation

- Foetus stage: 1 human month = 2 elven months
- Baby stage: 1 human year = 3 elven years
- Child stage: 1 human year = 7 elven years
- Adult stage: 1 human year = 9 elven years
- Mature stage: 1 human year = 7 elven years
- Elder stage: 1 human year = 7 elven years
- Venerable stage: 1 human year = 5 elven years

