

Dovin Baan

Senior Consulate Inspector Dovin Baan subscribes fully to the vedalken philosophy that nothing is perfect—and nothing can ever be perfect. He knows this for a fact because he can very clearly see the flaws in all the systems and machines around him. No crack escapes his eye, no stripped screw avoids detection, and no misalignment gets past him. After mere moments of scrutiny, Dovin can complete an analysis of any given piece of equipment, noting its weaknesses and shortcomings, and predicting with startling accuracy how and when it will fail.

The Consulate was quick to recognize Dovin's innate talent, and he was put on the fast track for a position as a Consulate inspector. It only took him a few years to work his way up to senior inspector. Now he oversees the vast majority of the Consulate's new designs. He sets the standard for mass-market products and is the hurdle that all Consulate inventors must clear if they want their creations to ever see the light of day. He has frustrated many an inventor with his dedicated focus and inability to let anything go, no matter how small. Since perfection is unattainable, at some point each product must be taken out of Dovin's hands or the Consulate would never produce a new device again. But under Dovin's watchful eye, injuries to consumers using Consulate devices have become extremely rare, and there has yet to be a recall on a device he inspected.

Dovin's talent earned him a position in charge of inspection at the Inventors' Fair. The Consulate wanted to ensure that all of the new buildings and infrastructure cleared the highest safety standards before the consuls welcomed all of Kaladesh to their city, and Dovin took his job very seriously. He identified and mitigated hundreds of hazards—in the structural integrity of buildings, the designs of presentation platforms, the curve of race-tracks, and the sharpness of ribbon edges. He even crafted a comprehensive plan to prevent gremlin infestations. But as the fair began, he came up against the unexpected threat of a renegade action that would disrupt the fair. Having exhausted nearly every resource on Kaladesh to counteract the renegade threat, Dovin saw no other choice but to turn to his powers as a Planeswalker. With the whole of the Multiverse at his disposal, he drew on the assistance of other Planeswalkers who had sworn to protect and defend: the Planeswalkers of the Gatewatch.

