

SENTRY Q & A: IS THE VOID MORE POWERFUL THAN THE SENTRY?

No, he is not.

And that is pretty much the misconception regarding the Sentry, which frustrates me the most. Every time, when I read a post from someone regarding the power levels of both personas, I imagine a hillbilly talking straight out of his butt (metaphorically of course):

"Weeeeeell, i once saw few scans of Sentry and Vdoid! And i also saw somebidy talkin bout that character on a bord and from my experiense i can tell yer that Void is mor powerfull then Sentry! Void wood totally do this and that, while Sentry wooda be like: 'Ow hell no, i'm outta here!', so yeah, yer can trust me on that!"

No! NO! STOP IT! STOOOOOP!

But, there are two things, which speak for the Void:

- 1.** The Void doesn't hold as much back as the Sentry. The Sentry is the heroic persona after all and has to be careful about his approach against less powerful opponents sometimes, while the Void does what he wants.
- 2.** The Void utilizes the Infi-Tendrils more, which have many useful properties and therefore can end fights quickly. Recently Sentry has used them as well, but in the past it was mainly Void's go-to move.

That's it. Otherwise they're equals in terms of the power level and when it comes to the Sentry and the Void, you have to understand one of the ideas behind their creation and their development throughout the story until Robert Reynolds died:

If the Sentry is the only one, who is powerful enough to defeat the Void, then what happens if he himself becomes the enemy?

Read that question and think about it. If that's still not enough, then let's dissect some of the wrong arguments people have:

- 1.** People tend to say that Sentry beating the Void doesn't mean anything, because they're the same and beating yourself isn't a real fight. They say it's all in Sentry's mind...

Well, besides the hypocrisy of that statement is (why should the Void be more powerful in the first place then?), that's not even true, since both Sentry and Void used to be separate entities (HAHA, I SAID "TITIES").

+ Here for example we have Sentry and Void engaging in a fight and his therapist commenting on the fact that they were both personas of Robert Reynolds and took on PHYSICAL forms:

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+ Later on their fight continued and they still were on an even ground. In fact Sentry even won the fight and tossed the Void into the Sun:

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Look at those fights and now think about what Void did to Thor and Hulk. One more great reference is the fight between World War Hulk (more powerful than the regular Hulk) and a weakened Sentry during the events of the World War Hulk arc, where Sentry stalemated the Hulk in that fight...

He arguably even had the upper hand and ultimately lost, because he realized quickly that he was losing control due to his mental illness and kept talking and asking for more, while the Hulk was punching him in the face.

All of that is in this respect thread, just look it up. But it goes on to tell you that even a weakened Sentry fought very well against one of the most powerful versions of the Hulk.

They of course had more physical fights, in some of them Void was actively overwhelming the Avengers with his power and got stopped by the Sentry:

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Later on, when Void started taking over Sentry's body, they got separated by the Absorbing Man, who obtained the power to warp the reality and they once again engaged in a physical fight, which could have destroyed all life on Earth:

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The only real mental battle they had, was when actively tried to kill Lindy and Sentry stopped him from doing it:

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The Sentry was always meant to be powerful, with or without the Void.

2. The second argument is that it was the Void, who defeated the Molecule Man and not the Sentry and therefore offensive molecule manipulation is only something the Void has...

Well, actually it was the Sentry, who defeated the Molecule Man. That is also explained in this thread, so look it up.

Both personas have used offensive molecule manipulation. Sentry used it on the Molecule Man and most recently in UNCANNY AVENGERS and the Void used it on an alien gun and Loki.

If you think about it neither persona knew about the molecule manipulation prior to Sentry's encounter with the Molecule Man. Both Sentry and Void used interesting abilities, but erasing someone or something from existence (metaphorical) never occurred before. Now it's actually a thing.

3. And now to my favorite stupid argument: But the Sentry lost to "insert random character here, who should have never been able to even touch the Sentry"...

Questionable writing. Do you know who else suffers from it? Thor and Hulk.

Both have recently been owned by a regular guy, who then got owned by Grandpa America.

Being a powerful being on Marvel Earth is a very tough task, because there are so many characters with lower powerlevels. They can't simply be written in a way, where they look totally useless next to someone like Thor, who hurls Mjolnir and cracks a planet.

The Sentry was on an Avengers team, where he was the most

powerful by far and all the threats they faced, should have been soloed by him in a matter of seconds... But how would Captain America and Iron Man look next to that? Yeah, you guessed it.

So using lowballing and downgrading to make arguments for the Void being more powerful than the Sentry is the worst thing you can do in the first place.

4. The last argument is that the Void has better feats...

No, he hasn't? Here is a comparison of their feats.

VOID:

- broke all of Hulk's bones on few occasions,
- mind-assaulted pretty much everyone he ever faced,
- ripped Ares apart,
- overwhelmed Thor with strength,
- killed Loki with molecule manipulation,
- took on multiple Marvel Earth superhero teams (but the amount of actual powerhouses during these fights was really not that impressive),
- defeated the Sentry here and there...

SENTRY:

- + Sentry defeated the Void in the majority of their fights,
- + Sentry defeated Terrax, a herald of Galactus in like 13 seconds or so,
- + Sentry impressed the Absorbing Man with a fraction of his powers, who absorbed Thor's and Hulk's powers multiple times and once Sentry cut loose Absorbing Man got destroyed,
- + a weakened Sentry stalemated World War Hulk,
- + a weakened Sentry outperformed the planet buster Binary in terms of power, while fighting the Collective, a guy with the powers of 50 different mutants for a couple of issues and in that fight their energies destroyed a nearby moon,
- + Sentry fought Genis-Vell in the Microverse and their energies were destroying worlds, while they were still holding back (and Sentry's energies kept on growing),
- + Sentry defeated the Molecule Man with molecule manipulation...

If you ask me the Sentry has much better feats and has proven time and time again, that he can not only keep up with the Void, but also

beats him in the majority of the fights.

And not only that, he also backs it up in other fights, if stupid writing / plot devices are not affecting the scenario.

There are even more arguments some people try to bring up, but even these arguments can be easily negated, so why don't you simply go with the notion, that the Sentry and the Void are equals and overall very powerful beings?

Also know that this is not about the Sentry being capable of beating all the opponents Void can beat.

This is now only about Sentry getting the credit he deserves and not being lowballed by people, who simply haven't read enough material regarding the Sentry. This is meant to inform them about the truth and not to crush their opinions and takes on something.