

DATA FILE:

STARSHIP CLASSIFICATION CODES (REVISED 9802)

This datafile outlines the current listing of starship classification codes in use by Star Fleet. Star Fleet vessels are classified by type and by sequence within that type. The list of classifications is issued periodically, with the approval of the Military Staff Committee and Star Fleet Command, along with several Federation oversight boards. The system was first initiated in the Earth-year 2208. The current listing, based on a format developed in 2250, seeks to better define ship types and missions and to facilitate comparisons with ship types of the other "great powers" (particularly Klingons and Rihannsu).

The letter "T" may be used as a suffix with any classification to denote a training vessel. Likewise, the letter "X" is used unofficially as a suffix to indicate new or experimental designs or classes. The following classifications are contained on the current list...

CRUISERS:

CH Heavy Cruiser
CS Strike Cruiser
CG Battlecruiser
CD Through-Deck Cruiser
CKE Large Exploratory Cruiser
CE Exploratory Cruiser
CA Cruiser
CL Light Cruiser
CT Tactical Cruiser

FRIGATES:

FH Heavy Frigate
FR Frigate
FF Fast Frigate
FS Small Frigate
FT Tactical Frigate
FST Strategic Frigate

DESTROYERS:

DH Heavy Destroyer
DD Destroyer
DF Fast Destroyer
DS Superdestroyer

SCOUTS:

SS Superscout
ST Scout

PATROL COMBATANTS:

DN Dreadnought
BB Battleship
PKA Large Perimeter Action Ship
PA Perimeter Action Ship
CV Corvette
CP Clipper
CR Corsair

SPECIALIZED:

CO Command Ship
SO Space Control Ship

CARRIERS:

SC Supercarrier
SH Heavy Carrier
SA Attack Carrier
SR Carrier
SL Light Carrier
SE Escort Carrier

SUPPORT SHIPS:

TR Transport
TT Transport/Tug
TE Tender
SP Combat Support Ship
ET Escort
SM Hospital/Medical Ship