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Imperial APC Land-Cruiser

During the time immediately surrounding the battle of Endor, the Empire began a small and short-lived revitalization of treaded vehicles. Rather than using repulsors these Land-Crusiers sued old fahsioned tnak tread. However the reasons for this were logistical. Treaded vehicles can handle uneven terrain better in many cases for one thing. Also hevay cannon recoil would cause a repulsor vehicle to rock backwards. Finally, there are 'dead reckoning' sensors in each tread. These sensors monitor and record, with a high degree of accuracy, the distance aand direction the craft moves. This way, even if typical navigation systems fail, the pilot will still know where the craft is and where it's heading. This is fed into a Global Positioning Computer, and a Terrain Sensor that picks up and digitizes landmarks. These systems work independantly with low power sensors to determine the craft's surroundings and ehading, the 'dead reckoning' supplements this and serves as a backup should these sensors be interfered with.

The Land-Cruisers typically have a Pilot, a Navigator, A Communciations office, and a captain, as well as any gunenrs that may be on board. The bridge of the cruisers is a small circular area ringed with instrument pannels and montiors that feed information to the crew, with a captain's chair positioned at the center, able to rotate to look at any station.

The Land-Cruisers saw the msot ammount of action during the hasty retreats the Empire was forced to make. These craft showed up time and again to supplement withdrawl forces to cover a retreat while under attack from the New Republic.

The APC class Land Cruiser has one key difference that makes many wodner why it's considered a Land Cruiser. The APC variant actualy uses repusiorlifts instead of treads. Dead reckoning sensors are stuck between the repulsor coils to keep track of distance and direction, but it is less acurate. It has a blocky, angular shape to it. It's front is a flat plane with two short flat planes running back off it diagnoly. At the center of the front plane and covering either diagnol planes is a small turret with a repeater in it. The back is a mirror of this. The top is flat, and the sides are slanted in as they go up at a 45 degree angle. The turrets the repeaters sit in, are small domes with vertical slits in them. They look like small observatories that swivel. The sides of the APC-LC are covered in

thickly plated pannels hinged at the bottom. these pannels are hydraulicly sealed so that when a lever is thrown they drops down and form off or on-loading ramps for the troops. It was common to see an APC-LC suddenly drop it's sides down in a dozen or so of the se pannels and stormtroopers to rush out, with the craft only slowing and never actualy coming to a stop.

Craft: Imperial APC-class Land-Cruiser

Type: Land Cruiser

Era: Endor+ Scale: Walker Length: 18 meters

Skill: Repulsorlift Operations: Land-Cruiser

Crew: 3 or 4; gunners:6

Crew Skill: Ground Vehicle operation 6D, Vehicle Blasters 6D+1

Cover: Full

Passengers: 40 (troops)
Cost: Not Avaiable For Sale

Maneuverability: 1D+2 Move: 30; 90 kmh Body Strength: 5D+1

Weapons:

6 Heavy Repeating Blaster

Fire Arc: 1 Front, 2 left turret, 2 right turret, 1 back

Scale: Character

Skill: Vehicle blasters

Fire Rate: 5
Fire Control: 6D

Range: 20-150/300/800

Damage: 7D

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