Starships D6 / Incom Corporation / Subpro C



Name: Incom Corporation / Subpro Corporation Aggressive ReConnaissance-170 Starfighter
Scale: Starfighter
Length: 14.5 meters
Width: 22.6 meters (wingspan)
Height/depth: 4.78 meters
Skill: Starfighter Piloting - ARC-170
Crew: 1 + 2 Gunners + Astromech
Crew Skill: Starfighter Piloting 6D, Starship Gunnery 5D, Starship Shields 4D
Consumables: 2 Days
Cost: New: 155,000 credits ; Used: 70,000 credits
Cargo Capacity: 110 Kg
Hyperdrive Multiplier: x1.5
Hyperdrive Backup: N/A
Nav Computer: Uses Astromech
Space: 7
Atmosphere: 325;850kmh
Maneuverability: 1D
Hull: 4D
Shields: 2D
Sensors:
- Passive: 20/0D
- Scan: 35/1D
- Search: 50/2D
- Focus: 2/3D

Weapons:
- 2 Medium Laser Cannons (Fire-Linked)
  - Fire Arc: Front
  - Fire Control: 1D
  - Space: 1-3/12/25
  - Atmosphere Range: 100-300/1.2/2.5km
  - Damage: 5D
- Proton Torpedo Launcher (6 Torpedo Magazine)
  - Fire Arc: Front
  - Fire Control: 2D
  - Space: 1/3/7
  - Atmosphere Range: 50-100/300/700m
  - Damage: 9D
- Twin Laser Cannons
  - Fire Arc: Turret (Back/Left/Right)
  - Crew: 1
  - Fire Control: 2D
  - Space: 1-3/12/25

Atmosphere Range: 100-300/1.2/2.5km
Damage: 4D

Description: The Aggressive ReConnaissance-170 starfighter, also known as the ARC-170 starfighter and Advanced Recon fighter, was a heavy starfighter that saw widespread use by the Republic Navy throughout the Clone Wars.

Designed and manufactured by the Incom Corporation, the ARC-170 was an ancestor of the T-65 X-wing starfighter, which would be mainly used by the Alliance to Restore the Republic.

The ARC-170 was jointly produced by Incom and Subpro Corporation. Like their other starfighter designs of its time, such as the lighter Z-95, and the heavier PTB-625, and NTB-630, the ARC-170 had a narrow spaceframe flanked by large engines. The ARC-170 also possessed an S-foil system, which helped to radiate heat, something that aided the fighter's shielding. This also provided additional stability during atmospheric flight.

Using its front deflector shield projectors to disperse heat generated from air resistance, the ARC-170 could reach supersonic speeds in atmospheric flight .

The ARC-170 was a departure from other starfighter designs of the Clone Wars era. Fighters such as the Alpha-3 Nimbus and the Eta-2 Actis were built to be small, fast, and maneuverable, at the cost of heavy weapons, shields, and hyperdrives. On the other hand, the ARC-170 was large, rugged, and capable of long independent operations.

The ARC-170 were typically deployed from Venator-class Star Destroyers, and were often sent on dangerous scout missions and raids deep in enemy territory. To allow the ARC-170 to perform these missions, the fighter was equipped with a Class 1.5 hyperdrive, and its nose was filled with powerful sensors, scanners, and jammers.

The ARC-170 carried enough consumables for five days of operation. However, the supplies and additional equipment had a price and the ARC-170 was quite slow. Durable armor and shielding, as well as two tail guns, helped the ARC-170 to survive when surrounded by swarms of smaller, faster enemy fighters, although it remained vulnerable to enemy anti-fighter guns.

The ARC-170 possessed powerful weaponry. It carried six proton torpedoes, and its wingtip-mounted medium laser cannons were unusually large for a starfighter. ARC-170s were often used as the heavy-hitters in strike forces, escorted by V-wings and Eta-2s.

The ARC-170 was crewed by three clones: a pilot, a forward gunner who operated the wingtip-mounted lasers, and a tail gunner who operated the rear-mounted cannons. The fighter also carried an astromech droid to perform onboard repairs and navigation. It was also possible for the pilot to operate the wingtip laser cannons if a co-pilot wasn't available.

During the Clone Wars, it was common for elite pilots to customize their vessels with elaborate designs, such as the elite Razor Squadron.

The ARC-170 that shot down Plo Koon's Delta-7 Aethersprite-class light interceptor during Order 66 was kitted out to display information on its cockpit display screen using an unidentified script.

Originally introduced and adopted by the Republic shortly before the Clone Wars, ARCs were used fairly extensively during the late Clone Wars. During the Battle of Malastare, a squadron of ARC

fighters escorted a squadron of BTL-B Y-wings carrying the electro-proton bomb and provided cover against AATs by strafing enemy ground formations. They were also used in the Defense of Kamino and later in a rescue mission to Lola Sayu. Shortly before the Battle of Coruscant, a squadron of ARCs provided cover for Obi-Wan Kenobi and Anakin Skywalker on Tythe, but were mostly destroyed.

During the Battle of Coruscant, Clone Flight Squad Seven (operating with ARC-170s) covered for Kenobi and Skywalker as they made their way to the Invisible Hand. Although Squad Seven suffered many casualties, they allowed the two Jedi to successfully board the ship and rescue Supreme Chancellor Palpatine. Large numbers of ARC-170s were destroyed by droid tri-fighters in the battle.

Later, after Palpatine issued Order 66, ARC-170s flying over the skies of Cato Neimoidia under the command of Clone Captain Jag turned on Jedi Master Plo Koon. The ARC-170 squadron fired upon his Delta-7 starfighter, destroying the fighter's engines. Plo Koon could not regain control of his ship and plunged to his death as he and what remained of the forward part of the fighter crashed into a building on one of Cato Neimoidia's bridge-cities.

Several years after the Declaration of a New Order, the ARC-170s of Green Squadron were deployed from a Star Destroyer. They took part in the second portion of the Shrouded Offensive at Ostor. They strafed the city shield, but were ambushed by followers of the rogue clone trooper Kaddak in V-19 Torrent starfighters. The attackers were fought off, but quickly disappeared. Vader led the squadron back to cover the Star Destroyer. After Commander Hock Malsuum disabled the shield, the ARC-170s attacked the city, leaving it in ruins.

During the Galactic Civil War, ARC-170s could be found in both Imperial and Rebel fleets, where they were considered elite craft. As with all craft commissioned by the new Empire, ARC-170s were henceforth given the standard 'Imperial gray' color scheme, doing away with the variety of colorful markings that military vessels bore to identify their squadron affiliations with during the Clone Wars. Incom would go on to produce the T-65 X-wing starfighter, the successor to the ARC-170.

One old ARC-170 was found in an old secret hangar of the Rebel Alliance on the planet Dathomir. The Wookiees Imarrra and Orrekazzapirr took this ARC-170 after they had been freed from the Imperial prison facility and managed to punch a hole through the Imperial blockade around the planet.

Queen Kylantha of Naboo also owned several old ARC-170s. Her personal ship technicians had rehauled a few of them and turned them into formidable fighters again. She gave one to an adventurer as a token of appreciation for helping the Wookiees Imarrra and Orrekazzapirr escape from captivity.

Stats by FreddyB, descriptive text from WookieePedia
Image copyright LucasArts.
Any complaints, writs for copyright abuse, etc should be addressed to the Webmaster FreddyB.