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Medium Space Carrier Vehicle

The Old Republic ruled over the galaxy for several thousand years, facing threat upon threat with courage, bravery and a high tech arsenal of ships and weaponry.

While the now infamous Dreadnaughts once served as the backbone of the Old Republic's fleet it did not fill all of the required roles that most modern capital combat starships do. The Dreadnaught's main downfall was a lack of starfighters (which was later fixed by Imperial technicians). Like both the Empire and the New Republic, the Old Republic simply fielded dedicated star carriers and carrier-cruisers to fill this gap.

Notable models included the famed Aero-Tech Space Division SCVN-class carrier-cruiser which, if it were still in service, could rival modern star carriers with ease. The problems that arose with the SCVN were both its astronomical operating costs as well as the fact that it was designed to act as a multi-purpose fleet carrier which could be assigned to almost any combat scenario. This made the SCVN too valuable and impracticle for mass deployment throughout the fleet.

The answer came from a joint Aero-Tech and Rendili venture which produced a medium sized dedicated space carrier, the Medium Space Carrier Vehicle (MSCV).

The MSCV is just slightly more than half the length of a standardized Old Republic Dreadnaught heavy cruiser. Wide spread automation was incorporated into the ship using a refined version of the slave rigging protocols that were first employed into the lost Katana Fleet. This greatly reduced the manpower required for each starship, making them much easier to quickly produce and crew.

The standard MSCV in the Old Republic carried a crew of 1,525 (gunners inclusive) along with a platoon of troops to fend off any boardings. Its main purpose as a starfighter carrier required that a large portion of the crew be dedicated to piloting, maintaining, repairing and tracking the fighters.

The internal layout of the MSCV is rather simplistic in nature. The hangar is located at the front of the vessel and is easily closed off by massive

blast doors to protect the valuable starfighters housed within. The flight deck is split into two separate levels, each housing a squadron of fighters as well as a shuttle or light transport. The ships' crews are housed in quarters with doors leading directly into their respective flight decks, allowing for quick scrambles in case of emergencies.

The MSCV carries little in the way of defenses and thus relies heavily upon escorts. Its arsenal consists only of six turbolasers, a concussion missile launcher with a magazine of thirty missiles and a pair of tractor beam projectors which are used to guide ships in and out of the hangar bay.

In the later days of the Old Republic, the MSCV was a fairly common vessel and hundreds were lost during the Clone Wars and some of the conflicts that broke out at the declaration of the Empire. Nearly a hundred of the vessels survived into the days of the Empire but the Imperial Navy only deployed them to the lower priority sectors. Those that the Rebel Alliance got a hold of were used in any number of ways. Many Alliances MSCVs were used just how they were intended while others were converted into transports, medical vessels or planetary landers (with heavy modification).

Craft: Aero-Tech/Rendili StarDrive's MSCV

Class: Capital

Cost: Not available for sale Size: Huge (389 meters long)

Crew: Minimum 950, maximum 1,525 (Skilled +4)

Passengers: 40 (troops)

Cargo Capacity: 1,000 metric tons

Consumables: 1 year

Hyperdrive: x2 (backup x20) Maximum Speed: Cruising

Defense: 18 (-2 size, +10 armor)

Shield Points: 260 Hull Points: 430

DR: 15

Weapon: Turbolaser cannons (6) Fire Arc: 2 front, 2 right, 2 left

Attack Bonus: +10 (-2 size, +4 crew, +6 fire control)

Damage: 2d10x5

Range Modifiers: PB -4, S -2, M/L +0

Weapon: Concussion missile launcher (30 missiles)

Fire Arc: Front

Attack Bonus: +8 (-2 size, +4 crew, +4 fire control)

Damage: 9d10x2

Range Modifiers: PB -4, S -2, M/L +0

Weapon: Tractor beam projectors (2)

Fire Arc: Front

Attack Bonus: +10 (-2 size, +4 crew, +6 fire control)

Damage: Special

Range Modifiers: PB -4, S -2, M/L n/a

Starship Complement:

24 starfighters

2 light transports or shuttles

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