

SIGMA-CLASS

Entered Service: 2362

Examples: Starbase 211 (Commissioned 2362) and Starbase 257 (Commissioned 2371)

Overview: The *Sigma*-class Operational Base has been used by the Federation since the 2360s, primarily for deep space outposts and command centres. While the design lacks something in aesthetics compared to the classic Spacedock design, the operations base is powerful and versatile. Starbases of this type are compact to address security concerns but can be just as powerful as larger bases given their weaponry and improved systems. The lower section was designed to be modular, allowing the station to serve a number of different functions. The smaller size and rugged design also allows *Sigma*-class stations to be moved at warp velocities, permitting stations to be constructed elsewhere and moved into position or even potentially repositioned.

Capabilities: The *Sigma*-class design features a large drydock hanger capable of fitting starships for speedy repairs and refits (up to Scale 5). Some starbases of this design are even able to construct smaller starships and freighters inside the hanger. The primary hull containing this hanger also features most of the operations and living quarters for the starbase crew. Scientific and medical facilities are located in the "bottom" of the station, connected by a cylindrical hub that contains the engineering departments and reactor core. Between one and five modules connected by arms extend from this hub, reminiscent of the old *K-series* design. These modular superstructures can hold a number of different departments depending on the station's design: anything from specialized science labs to cargo bays to massive subspace relays. A *Sigma*-class starbase can house as many as 18,000 individuals through a crisis lasting a few weeks (more if designed for storing cargo or evacuation purposes), but can be crewed by as few as 150 people. A typical crew complement ranges from 650 to close to a 1,000, including non-commissioned officers and local liaisons. As a primarily military design, there is less space to accommodate civilians than other types of station, and there is usually fewer than 1,000 civilians on board, including both workers and family members of officers. As such, *Sigma*-class stations are fairly self-sufficient and do not require regular trade to maintain their facilities. However, many are still positioned in close proximity to planet that can offer fresh supplies or raw materials.

SYSTEMS

COMMS 11

REACTORS 09

STRUCTURE 10

COMPUTERS 09

SENSORS 10

WEAPONS 09

DEPARTMENTS

COMMAND +1

SECURITY -

SCIENCE -

CONN -

ENGINEERING +1

MEDICINE +1

SCALE: 9

WEAPONRY:

- Phaser Arrays
- Phaser Cannons
- Photon Torpedoes
- Tractor Beam (Strength 5)

TALENTS

Sigma-class stations have the following Talents:

- Command Ship
- Extensive Shuttlebays
- Modular Laboratories

