**Kiev-Class Fast-Response Frigate**

Entered Service: 2271

**Dimensions**
- Length: 275 meters
- Beam: 124 meters
- Draft: 59 meters

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*Kiev class - Frigate re-draw by Brad R. Torgersen, 2007*
Overview: Before the advent of the Chandley-class and Northampton-class frigates, the Kiev was commissioned in 2271 as an early attempt at a fast-response tactical vessel that could not only engage in ship-to-ship combat but could also deploy Starfleet Security personnel to engage in boarding actions or support planetary ground operations. (Starfleet does not possess any sort of Marine Corps/Naval Infantry contingent, so Starfleet infantry operations are handled by Starfleet Security personnel.) However, the Kiev never really proved very popular with its crews as it did not have extensive recreational facilities for the Starfleet Security troop contingent that the later Northampton and Chandley-class frigates would have. Starfleet Security troops assigned to the Kiev frigates loudly complained about long stretches of boredom between combat deployments. One particularly memorable complaint succinctly stated that serving on a Kiev was tantamount to “seven months of boredom interrupted by seven hours of terror, then rinse and repeat.” As a result, deployments to Kiev-class frigates were regarded as punishment details by their crews. Fortunately, Starfleet’s Advanced Starship Design Bureau was already designing the Northampton-class frigate and, after hearing about the low morale on Kiev-class frigates, made certain to include extensive recreational facilities for the Starfleet Security troops. The Kiev-class frigate was produced at the Merak and Salazaar shipyards for only six years at a rate of 14 vessels a year until production at those shipyards was quickly and quietly retooled in favor of other classes. The Kiev was retired from service in 2291 in what might have been the shortest starship deployment in Starfleet history and put in mothballs. (Not a single crewmember who had served on any of the Kiev-class vessels was sorry to see them go, especially after many of those crewmembers were reassigned to the Northampton and Chandley-class frigates.)

Capabilities: The Kiev-class frigate carried a crew of 300 officers and crewmen as well as a contingent of 120 Starfleet Security personnel trained in ship boarding combat operations. As it was designed as a fast-response, combat-capable troop transport, the Kiev did not have the facilities to carry civilian passengers without offloading the Starfleet Security troop complement first. The Kiev was equipped with four standard 6-person transporters as well as three 20-person combat transports for rapid troop deployment. It was also equipped with 2 cargo transporters. When used in tandem, the combat transporters could deploy the Kiev’s entire complement of 120 troops in less than three minutes. The Kiev was armed with three phaser banks (1 forward-port, 1 forward-starboard and 1 aft) as well as two photon torpedo launchers (1 forward, 1 aft) mounted on the dorsal pylon. The Kiev also had two hangar bays capable of holding a total of 4 shuttlecraft which could be deployed as fighter support, commando transport or field assistance to disabled civilian spacecraft. The Kiev was also equipped with a unique dual half-dish navigational deflector array mounted on the port and starboard bow undersides of the saucer section.

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Attacks
- Phaser Banks
- Photon Torpedoes
- Tractor Beam (Strength 3)

Talents
Kiev-class starships have the following Talents:
- Improved Impulse Drive
- Improved Warp Drive

Scale: 4
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