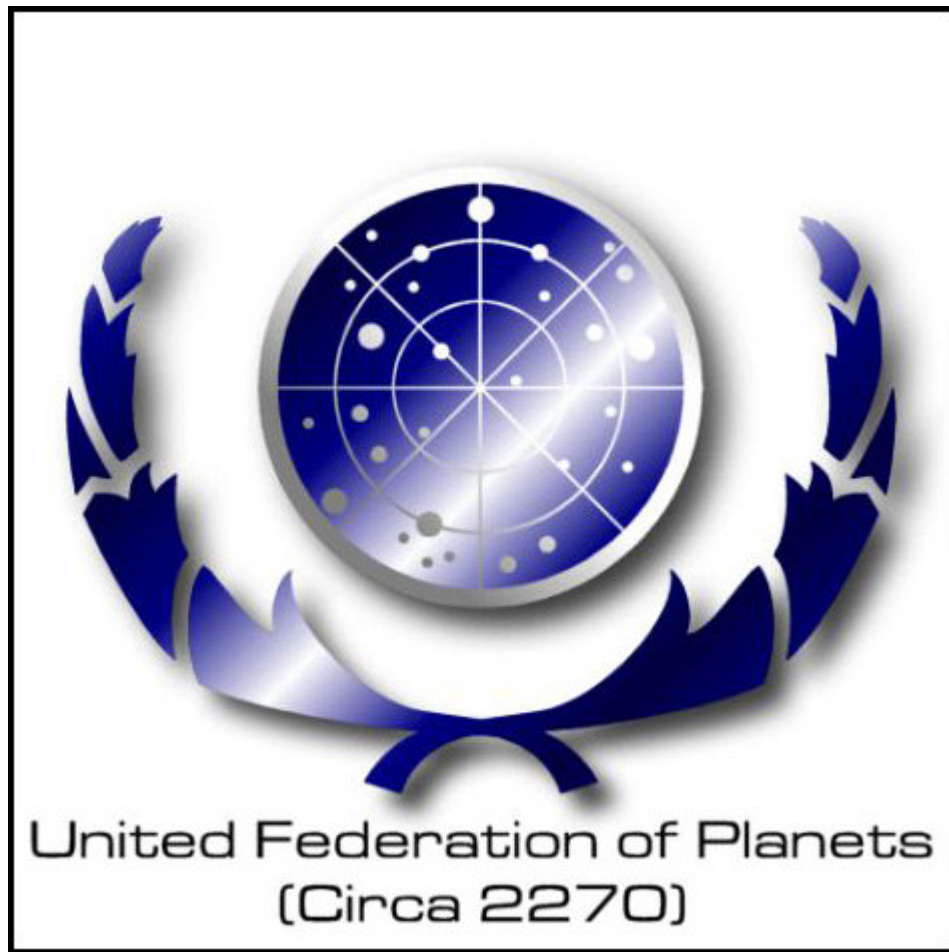


Gemini Fleet Command
Commanding Officer Regulations



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Section 1. Commanding Officers in General

0101. Applicability.

In addition to commanding officers, the provisions of this guide shall apply, where pertinent, to Flag Officers, Starbase commanders, officers in charge (including warrant officers and petty officers when so detailed) and those persons standing the command duty.

0102. Responsibility.

1. The responsibility of the commanding officer for his or her command is absolute, except when, and to the extent to which, he or she has been relieved therefrom by competent authority, or as provided otherwise in these regulations. The authority of the commanding officer is commensurate with his or her responsibility. While the commanding officer may, at his or her discretion, and when not contrary to Federation law or Starfleet regulations, delegate authority to subordinates for the execution of details, such delegation of authority shall in no way relieve the commanding officer of continued responsibility for the safety, well-being and efficiency of the entire command.
2. A commanding officer who departs from orders or instructions, or takes official action which is not in accordance with such orders or instructions, does so upon his or her own responsibility and shall report immediately the circumstances to the officer from whom the prior orders or instructions were received. Of particular importance is the commanding officer's duty to take all necessary and appropriate action in self-defense of the command.
3. The commanding officer shall be responsible for the economy within his or her command. To this end the commanding officer shall require from his or her subordinates a rigid compliance with the regulations governing the receipt, accounting and expenditure of Federation funds and materials, and the implementation of improved management techniques and procedures.
4. The commanding officer and his or her subordinates shall exercise leadership through personal example, moral responsibility and judicious attention to the welfare of persons under their control or supervision. Such leadership shall be exercised in order to achieve a positive, dominant influence on the performance of persons under their command.

0103. Presence of Officer Eligible to Command.

1. Except as otherwise provided herein or otherwise authorized by the Fleet Admiral or the Commandant of the Starfleet Marine Corps, as appropriate, at least one officer, whether in command or eligible to succeed to command, shall be present and ready for duty at each command (activity, unit or office). In the absence of the commanding officer or the executive officer, or both, their duties shall devolve upon the officer next in rank,

and eligible to succeed to command, who is attached to and present in the command. An officer detailed for a shift's duty for the purpose of assuming the commanding officer's duties in the absence of the commanding officer shall be known as the Command Duty Officer. Upon request of the officer senior in rank, eligible to succeed to command, who is attached to and present in the command, the Command Duty Officer shall defer to that officer. An officer who succeeds to command or is detailed to assume the commanding officer's duties during the temporary absence of the commanding officer shall make no changes in the existing organization and shall endeavor to have the routine and other affairs of the command carried on in the usual manner.

2. A superior, of flag or general grade, shall determine the presence of the officer in command or officer or officers eligible to succeed to command and ready for duty at each command or unit of the operating forces of the Fleet and the operating forces of the Marine Corps. The commanding officer may, under criteria or conditions prescribed by a superior of flag or general grade, assign officers not eligible to succeed to command and qualified enlisted personnel to serve as the Command Duty Officer.

3. Superiors shall determine the need and govern the presence of the officer in command or an officer or officers eligible to succeed to command and ready for duty at commands, offices, or activities not of the operating forces of the Fleet and not of the operating forces of the Marine Corps. Under conditions prescribed by a superior, officers not eligible to command and qualified enlisted personnel may be assigned a shift's command duty.

0104. Organization of Commands.

All commands and other activities of the Gemini Fleet shall be organized and administered in accordance with Federation law, Starfleet Regulations, and the orders of competent authority. All orders and instructions of the commanding officer shall be in accordance therewith.

0105. Effective Organized Force Always Present

Under no circumstances shall any ship or station be left without an organized force that will be effective in any emergency, and, consistent with existing requirements, capable of ensuring satisfactory operation.

0106. Relationship With Executive Officer.

The commanding officer shall keep the executive officer informed of the commanding officer's policies, and normally shall issue all orders relative to the duties of the command through the executive officer. Normally, the commanding officer shall require that all communications of an official nature from subordinates to the commanding officer be transmitted through the executive officer. Convening authorities, however, shall communicate directly with their staff judge advocates or legal officers in matters relating to the administration of military justice.

0107. Relieving Procedures.

1. A commanding officer about to be relieved of command will

- Inspect the command in company with the relieving officer.
- In the case of a ship, and within other commands where appropriate, cause the crew to be exercised in the presence of both the commanding officer and the relieving officer at general quarters and general drills, unless conditions render it impracticable or inadvisable.
- Point out any defects or peculiarities of the command, noting particularly deficiencies in safety, operational readiness, training, habitability or material conditions, and account for them to the relieving officer.
- Deliver to his or her relief all unexecuted orders, all regulations and orders in force and all official correspondence and information concerning the command and the personnel thereof as may be of service to the relieving officer. The commanding officer will not remove the original records of official correspondence, original documents in any form concerning the command and personnel thereof, but may retain authenticated copies thereof.
- Deliver to his or her relief all documents required by these regulations to be either kept or supervised by the commanding officer. The commanding officer will deliver to his or her relief a current audit of communiqués and effects.
- Transfer all command codes and other codes in his or her custody to the relieving officer.
- Cause all Communications Security material charged to the command to be inventoried in accordance with the provisions of Starfleet regulations.
- Submit a report of fitness of officers and confirm all log entries, journal and other documents requiring his or her confirmation up to the date of his or her relief.
- At the time of turning over command, the commanding officer to be relieved will call all hands to muster, read the orders of detachment and turn over the command to his or her relief, who will read the orders of relief and assume command. At shore activities, this procedure may be modified as appropriate.

2. The officer relieved, although without authority after turning over the command, is, until final departure, entitled to all the ceremonies and distinctions accorded a commanding officer.

3. The officer being relieved will prepare a report of transfer of command listing any unsatisfactory conditions within the command having the potential to affect adversely safety, well-being, readiness, fiscal integrity or command performance, and specifying a proposed plan to correct them. The officer succeeding the command will endorse this report. If the officer assuming command does not concur in the report, that officer will specify wherein the report is inaccurate or incomplete and will provide the officer being relieved the opportunity to make explanation. The officer assuming command will report the actual transfer of command as part of his or her endorsement. For a command of the operating forces of the Fleet, a report of a normal, routine transfer of command will be addressed to the immediate superior in command, with copies to the chain of command.

A report that identifies unsatisfactory conditions within the command, or contains adverse comments with respect to the command's state of readiness, will be forwarded via the chain of command, with a copy sent directly to the Fleet Admiral. For a command not of the operating forces of the Fleet, the report shall be addressed to the immediate superior of the officer succeeding to command, with copies direct to the appropriate offices which may have a direct interest. A copy will be retained by each of the officers between whom the transfer of command takes place.

4. When an officer detailed as commanding officer reports to a command having no regularly detailed commanding officer, the procedure presented in the preceding paragraphs of this article will be followed, insofar as is consistent with the circumstances.

0108 . Inspections, Muster and Sighting of Personnel.

1. The commanding officer shall hold periodic inspections of the material condition of the command to determine deficiencies and cleanliness. When the size of the command precludes completion of the inspection in a reasonable time, the commanding officer shall designate zones to be inspected by heads of departments or other responsible officers, and shall personally inspect at least one zone, alternating zones in order that the commanding officer inspects the entire command at minimum interval.

2. The commanding officer shall ensure that, consistent with their employment, the personnel of the command present at all times a neat, clean and military appearance. To assist in attaining this standard of appearance, the commanding officer shall, in the absence of operational exigency, hold periodic personnel inspections.

3. The commanding officer shall require a daily report of all persons confined, a statement of their offenses, and the dates of their confinement and release.

4. The presence of all persons attached to the command shall be accounted for daily. Persons who have not been sighted by a responsible senior shall be reported absent.

0109. Persons Found Under Incriminating Circumstances.

1. The commanding officer shall keep under restraint or surveillance, as necessary, any person not in the service of the Federation who is found under incriminating or irregular circumstances within the command, and shall immediately initiate an investigation.

2. Should an investigation indicate that such person is not a fugitive from justice, or has not committed or attempted to commit an offense, the person shall be released at the earliest opportunity, except

- If the person is not a citizen of the Federation, and the place of release is under the jurisdiction of Starfleet, the nearest Embassy shall be notified as to the time and

place of release sufficiently in advance to permit them to take such steps as they deem appropriate.

- Such persons shall not be released in territory not under the jurisdiction of Starfleet without first obtaining the consent of the proper authorities, except where the investigation shows that the person entered the command from territory of the foreign region, or that the person is a citizen or subject of that region.

3. If the investigation indicates that such person has committed or attempted to commit an offense punishable under the authority of the commanding officer, the latter shall take such action as he or she deems necessary.

4. If the investigation indicates that such person is a fugitive from justice, & has committed or attempted to commit an offense which requires actions beyond the authority of the commanding officer, the latter shall, at the first opportunity, deliver such person, together with a statement of the circumstances, to the proper authorities.

5. In all cases under paragraph 4 of this article, a report shall be made promptly to the Fleet Admiral or the Commandant of the Marine Corps, as appropriate.

0110. Rules for Visits.

1. Commanding officers are responsible for the control of visitors to their commands and shall comply with the relevant provisions of Starfleet directives concerning classified information and physical security.

2. Commanding officers shall take such measures and impose such restrictions on visitors as are necessary to safeguard the classified material under their jurisdiction, Arrangements for general visiting shall always be made with due regard for physical security and based on the assumption that foreign agents will be among the visitors.

3. Commanding officers and others officially concerned shall exercise reasonable care to safeguard the persons and property of visitors to Federation activities as well as taking those necessary precautions to safeguard the persons and property within the command.

0111. Dealers. Tradesmen and Agents.

1. In general, dealers or tradesmen or their agents shall not be admitted within a command, except as authorized by the commanding officer

- To conduct public business.
- To transact private business with individuals at the request of the latter.
- To furnish services and supplies which are necessary and are not otherwise, or are insufficiently, available to the personnel of the command.

2. Personal commercial solicitation and the conduct of commercial transactions are governed by policies of the Office of the Inspector General of Starfleet.

0112. Communication Matters.

Commanding officers shall ensure that communiqués are in accordance with instructions issued by Starfleet Command and approved for the naval service by the Fleet Admiral, and instructions issued by the Fleet Admiral or the Commandant of the Marine Corps, as appropriate; and that communications officers or other persons authorized to handle communications relays perform their duties strictly in accordance with those instructions.

0113. Safeguarding Official Funds.

In the event of the death, unauthorized absence, or mental incapacity, as determined by the commanding officer on advice of a medical officer, of a person charged with pecuniary responsibility for official funds or Federation property, or if it is necessary to relieve such person for any cause, including arrest or suspension, the commanding officer shall take immediate steps to safeguard such funds or property.

0114. Deficit or Excess of Public Property.

1. Whenever it appears that a deficit or excess exists in public funds or property in the custody of a person under his or her command, the commanding officer, unless excused under authority of Starfleet Command, the Judge Advocate General, the Fleet Admiral, or the Commandant of the Marine Corps, as appropriate shall immediately:

- Cause an appropriate preliminary inquiry to be made to determine whether criminal investigation is warranted, and if so, request appropriate investigative support from the Fleet Intelligence Office or Judge Advocate's Office.
- Notify the Fleet Admiral and the Commandant of the Marine Corps, as appropriate and appropriate superiors.
- Recommend or convene an administrative fact-finding body and, in case of loss or excess of property, a Board of Survey.

0115. Deaths.

The commanding officer, in the event of the death of any person within his or her command, shall ensure that the cause of death and the circumstances under which death occurred are established, documenting the cause and circumstances of the death and submitting the appropriate casualty report and death notifications.

0118. Publishing and Posting Orders and Regulations.

1. In accordance with the Uniform Code of Military Justice, the articles specifically enumerated therein shall be carefully explained to each enlisted person:

- At the time of entrance on active duty or within six days thereafter.
- Again, after completion of six months active duty.
- Again, upon the occasion of each reenlistment.

2. A display of the articles specifically enumerated in Article 137 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice shall be posted in a conspicuous place or places, readily accessible to all personnel of the command.

3. Instruction concerning the Uniform Code of Military Justice and appropriate articles of Starfleet Regulations shall be included in the training and educational program of the command.

4. Such general orders, orders from higher authority and other matters which the commanding officer considers of interest to the personnel or profitable for them to know shall be published to the command as soon as practicable. Such matters shall also be posted, in whole or in part, in a conspicuous place or places readily accessible to personnel of the command.

5. Upon the request of any person on active duty, the following shall be made available for that person's personal examination:

- Uniform Code of Military Justice
- Manual for Court Martial
- Starfleet Regulations
- Manual of the Judge Advocate General
- Personnel Manual (for Navy and Marine Corps personnel)

0119. Records.

1. The commanding officer shall require that records relative to personnel, material and operations, as required by current instructions, are maintained properly by those responsible.

0120. Welfare of Personnel.

1. The commanding officer shall:

- Use all proper means to foster high morale, and to develop and strengthen the moral and spiritual well-being of the personnel under his or her command
- Maintain a satisfactory state of health and physical fitness of the personnel under his or her command.
- Afford an opportunity, with reasonable restrictions as to time and place, for the personnel under his or her command to make requests, reports or statements to the commanding officer, and shall ensure that they understand the procedures for making such requests, reports or statements.

- Ensure that noteworthy performances of duty of personnel under his or her command receive timely and appropriate recognition and that suitable notations are entered in the official records of the individuals.
- Ensure that timely advancement in rating or enlisted persons is effected in accordance with existing instructions.

0121. Training and Education.

1. The commanding officer shall:

- Endeavor to increase the specialized and general professional knowledge of the personnel under his or her command by the frequent conduct of drills, classes and instruction, and by the utilization of appropriate fleet and service schools.
- Encourage and provide assistance and facilities to the personnel under his or her command who seek to further their education in professional or other subjects.
- Afford frequent opportunities to the executive officer, and to other officers of the ship as practicable, to improve their skill in ship handling.
- Require those lieutenants junior grade and full lieutenants who have less than two months commissioned or warrant service, and all ensigns:
 - (1) To comply with the provisions prescribed for their instruction by the Fleet Admiral, the Commandant of the Marine Corps, or other appropriate authorities.
 - (2) To receive appropriate practical instruction, as the commanding officer deems advisable, and to be detailed to as many duties successively as maybe practicable.
- When practicable, designate a senior officer or officers to act as advisors to junior officers. These senior officers shall assist junior officers to a proper understanding of their responsibilities and duties, and shall endeavor to cultivate in them officer-like qualities, a sense of loyalty and honor, and an appreciation of Starfleet customs and professional ethics.

0122. Delivery of Personnel to Civil Authorities and Service of Subpoenas or Other Process.

1. Commanding officers or other persons in authority shall not deliver any person in Starfleet to civil authorities except as provided by the Manual of the Judge Advocate General.
2. Commanding officers are authorized to permit the service of subpoenas or other process as provided by the Manual of the Judge Advocate General.

0123. Delivery of Orders to Personnel.

1. The commanding officer shall not withhold any orders or other communications received from higher authority for any person under his or her command, except for good and sufficient reasons, which he or she shall at once report to such higher authority. Communications of a personal nature may be withheld by a commanding officer for good reason until completion of a mission or duty.

0124. Use and Transportation of Narcotics and Drugs.

1. The commanding officer shall conduct a rigorous program to prevent the illegal introduction, transfer, possession or use of narcotics or other substances as defined in these regulations. The program shall include publicity and instruction covering:

- The dangers involved in drug abuse.
- The liabilities which may result from introduction, possession, transfer or use, including penalties under the Uniform Code of Military Justice and other provisions of law to which individuals may be subjected.
- The administrative measures, including discharge under other than honorable conditions, which may result.
- The commanding officer shall exercise utmost diligence in preventing illegal importation of narcotics or other substances on board the command.

0125. Safety Precautions.

1. The commanding officer shall require that persons concerned are instructed and drilled in all applicable safety precautions and procedures, that these are complied with, and that applicable safety precautions, or extracts therefrom, are posted in appropriate places. In any instance where safety precautions have not been issued, or are incomplete, the commanding officer shall issue or augment such safety precautions as are deemed necessary, notifying, when appropriate, higher authorities concerned.

0126. Physical Security.

1. The commanding officer shall take appropriate action to safeguard personnel, to prevent unauthorized access to installations, equipment, material and documents, and to safeguard them against acts of espionage, sabotage, damage, theft and terrorism.

2. The commanding officer shall take appropriate action to protect and maintain the security of the command against dangers from any form of natural occurrence.

0127. Effectiveness for Service.

The commanding officer shall:

- Exert every effort to maintain the command in a state of maximum effectiveness for war or other service consistent with the degree of readiness as may be prescribed by proper authority. Effectiveness for service is directly related to the state of personnel and material readiness.
- Make him or herself aware of the progress of any repairs, the status of spares, repair parts and other components, personnel readiness and other factors or conditions that could lessen the effectiveness of his or her command. When the effectiveness is lessened appreciably, that fact shall be reported to appropriate superiors.

0126. Search by Foreign Authorities.

1. The commanding officer shall not permit a ship under his or her command to be searched on any pretense whatsoever by any person representing a foreign region, nor permit any of the personnel within the confines of his or her command to be removed from the command by any such person, so long as he or she has the capacity to repeal such act. If force should be exerted to compel submission, the commanding officer is to resist that force to the utmost of his or her power.

2. Except as may be provided by intergalactic agreement, the commanding officer of a shore activity shall not permit his or her command to be searched by any person representing a foreign region, nor permit any of the personnel within the confines of his or her command to be removed from the command by such person, so long as he or she has the power to resist.

0129. Prisoners of War.

1. On taking or receiving prisoners of war, the commanding officer shall ensure that such prisoners are treated with humanity; that their personal property is preserved and protected; that they are allowed the use of such of their effects as may be necessary for their health; that they are supplied with proper rations; that they are properly guarded and deprived of all means of escape and revolt; and that the applicable provisions of Starfleet regulations toward the treatment of prisoners of war are followed.

0130. Captured Material.

1. On taking possession of any enemy ship, shuttle, probe, installation or other property or equipment, the commanding officer shall:

- Adopt all possible measures to prevent recapture.
- Secure or remove enemy personnel.
- Secure and preserve the logs, journals, signals, codes and ciphers, charts, maps, orders, instructions, blueprints, plans, diaries, letters and other documents found, and forward or deliver them at the earliest possible moment to the designated authority.

- Preserve all captured enemy ordnance, technology, navigation equipment and other property of possible intelligence value, unless destruction is necessary to prevent recapture, and make this material promptly available for intelligence evaluation or other authorized use.

2. No captured enemy property, of whatever description, may be kept as a souvenir or for personal use except as specifically provided by the Fleet Admiral.

0131. Casualty and Damage.

1. Immediately after its occurrence, the commanding officer shall submit a detailed report of the facts to the senior officer present, the Fleet Admiral, or the Commandant of the Marine Corps, as appropriate, and other superiors when:

- A ship under his or her command touches the ground (except for landing ships or ships of a similar design making a landing without damage, or for a submersible ship resting on the bottom of a body of water as part of normal operations).
- A ship under his or her command has a collision or other serious accident.
- A ship under his or her command is involved in an accident which necessitates extensive repairs, or otherwise requires review or action by higher authority.
- A shore activity under his or her command incurs a serious natural or other material casualty, or a serious personnel casualty occurs within the command.

0132. Environmental Pollution.

1. The commanding officer shall cooperate with governmental authorities in the prevention, control and abatement of environmental pollution. If the requirements of any environmental law or regulation cannot be achieved because of operational considerations, insufficient resources or other reason, the commanding officer shall report to the immediate superior in the chain of command. The commanding officer should be aware of existing policies regarding pollution control, and should recommend remedial measures when appropriate.

0133. Issue of Personal Necessaries.

1. The commanding officer is authorized to direct, in writing, the issue of clothing and small stores to enlisted persons in such amounts as he or she deems necessary for their health and comfort.

2. The commanding officer is likewise authorized to direct, in writing, the issue to such enlisted persons of certain other necessaries, including toilet articles, in the manner and amount prescribed by the Commander, Fleet Admiral, or the Commandant of the Marine Corps.

0134. Care of Ships, Shuttles, Vehicles and Their Equipment.

1. The commanding officer shall cause such inspections and tests to be made and procedures carried out as are prescribed by competent authority, together with such others as he or she deems necessary, to ensure the proper preservation, repair, maintenance and operation of any ship, shuttle, vehicle, and their equipment assigned to his or her command.

0835. Work, Facilities, Supplies or Services for Other Government Departments, Foreign Governments, Private Parties and Morale, Welfare and Recreational Activities.

1. Work may be done for or on facilities, and supplies or services furnished to departments and agencies of and for Federation local governments, foreign governments, private parties, and morale, welfare and recreational activities with the approval of a commanding officer provided:

- The cost does not exceed limitations the Fleet Admiral may approve or specify.
- In the case of private parties, it is in the interest of the government to do so and there is no issue of competition with private industry
- In the case of foreign governments, a disqualification of a government has not been issued for the benefits of this article.

2. Work shall not be started nor facilities, supplies, or services furnished morale, welfare, and recreational activities not class titled as instrumentalities of the Federation, or local governments or private parties, until funds to cover the estimated cost have been deposited with the commanding officer or unless otherwise provided by Federation law.

3. Work shall not be started, nor facilities, supplies, or services furnished by other Starfleet departments and agencies, of expenses charged by non-appropriated funds of morale, welfare and recreational activities classified as instrumentalities of the Federation, until reimbursable funding arrangements have been made.

4. Work, facilities, supplies, or services furnished non-appropriated fund activities classified as instrumentalities of the Federation by Starfleet Command shall be funded in accordance with regulations of the Fleet Admiral.

5. Supplies or services may be furnished to Starfleet vessels and friendly or foreign governments (unless otherwise provided by law or treaty or agreement):

- On a reimbursable basis without an advancement of funds, when in the best interest of the Federation.
 - (1) Routine Starbase services (including pilotage, tractor-beam usage, garbage removal, and utilities) in interstellar space or space under the control of Starfleet.

- (3) Miscellaneous supplies (including fuel, provisions, spare parts, and general stores) but not ordinance. Supplies are subject to approval of the cognizant fleet or force commanders when provided in foreign regions.
- (4) With approval of the Fleet Admiral in each instance, overhauls, repairs, and alterations together with necessary equipment and its installation required in connection therewith, to vessels and military ships.
 - Routine port and Starbase services maybe furnished at no cost to the foreign government concerned where such services are provided by persons of the naval service without direct cost to the Federation.
 - In cases of emergency involving possible loss of life or valuable property, work may be started or facilities furnished prior to authorization, or provision for payment, but in all such cases a detailed report of the facts and circumstances shall be made promptly to the Fleet Admiral or to the appropriate authority.

7. Charges and accounting for any work, supplies or services shall be recorded in the ship's log by the commanding officer.

Section 2. Commanding Officers in Flight

0140. Unauthorized Persons on Board.

1. The commanding officer shall satisfy him or herself that there is no unauthorized person on board before proceeding or commencing a flight.

0141. Control of Passengers.

1. Control of passage in and protracted visits to ships of the Fleet by all persons, within or without any Fleet Department, shall be exercised by the Fleet Admiral.

2. Nothing in this article shall be interpreted as prohibiting the senior officer present from authorizing the passage in ships and shuttles of Starfleet by such persons as he or she judges necessary in the public interest or in the interest of humanity. The senior officer present shall report the circumstances to the Fleet Admiral when he or she gives such authorization.

0142. Authority Over Passengers.

Except as otherwise provided in these regulations or in orders from competent authority, all passengers in a ship or shuttle of Starfleet are subject to the authority of the commanding officer and shall conform to the internal regulations and routine of the ship or shuttle. The commanding officer of such ship or shuttlecraft shall take no disciplinary action against a passenger not in Starfleet, other than that authorized by law. The commanding officer may, when he or she deems such an action

necessary for the safety of the ship or shuttlecraft or of any person embarked, subject a passenger not in Starfleet to such restraint as the circumstances require until such time as delivery to the proper authorities is possible. A report of the matter shall be made to an appropriate superior of the passenger.

0143. Relations With Organizations and Military Personnel Embarked for Passage.

1. Personnel of Starfleet, and other Federation armed forces or services, and foreign armed forces are subject to the orders of the commanding officer of the ship or shuttlecraft commander. The provisions of this article shall be applied to organizations and personnel of foreign armed forces, insofar as is feasible, with regard for their customs and traditions.

2. The commanding officer of the ship or the shuttlecraft commander shall respect the identity and integrity of organizational units and

- Shall have all orders to personnel given through their respective chains of command insofar as practicable.
- Shall require that personnel wear the uniform which corresponds as nearly as practicable to the uniform prescribed for ship's company.
- May require enlisted persons to perform their proportionate share of mess, watch, security and guard duty whenever he or she deems it advisable to divide those duties among personnel on board.
- May require personnel, when in his or her opinion an emergency exists, to perform such duties as their special knowledge and skill may enable them to perform.
- Has the power and the authority to order an offender placed in naval or military custody as is considered desirable, but in all cases where the offender is to be disembarked for disciplinary action by military authority, the offender shall be placed in military custody on board the ship or shuttlecraft, practicable.

3. The foregoing provisions of this article also apply to the Officer in Charge, Military Detachment, of an in-service ship of the MACO Command, who is authorized to exercise the powers conferred thereby, subject to the paramount authority of the master.

4. When an organized unit is embarked for transportation only in a ship of Starfleet, the officer in command of such organized unit shall retain the authority which he or she possessed over such unit prior to embarkation, including the power to order special or summary courts martial upon enlisted personnel under his or her command. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed as impairing the paramount authority of the commanding officer of the ship over all persons embarked therein.

0144. Marriages on Board.

The commanding officer has the authority to perform a marriage ceremony on board his or her ship or shuttlecraft. He or she shall not permit a marriage ceremony to be performed on board when the ship or shuttlecraft is outside the territory of the Federation, except

- In accordance with local laws and the laws of the state, territory or district in which the parties are domiciled.
- In the presence of a diplomatic or consular official of the Federation, who has consented to issue the certificates and make the returns required by the consular regulations.

0145. Maintenance of Logs.

1. A bridge log and an engineering log shall be maintained by each ship in commission, and by such other ships and craft as may be designated by the Fleet Admiral
2. A navigational record shall be maintained as an adjunct to the bridge log. An engineer's supplemental log shall be maintained as an adjunct to the engineering log.
3. The Fleet Admiral shall prescribe regulations governing the contents and preparation of the bridge and engineering logs and adjunct records.

0146. Status of Logs.

The bridge log, the engineering log, the navigational record, all supplemental logs, and any record generated by automated data logging equipment shall each constitute an official record of the command.

0847. Responsibility of Master of an In-Service Ship of the MACO Command.

1. In an in-service ship of the MACO Command, the master's responsibility is absolute, except when, and to the extent, relieved therefrom by competent authority. The authority of the master is commensurate with the master's responsibility. The master is responsible for the safety of the ship and all persons on board. He or she is responsible for the safe navigation and technical operation of the ship and has paramount authority over all persons on board. He or she is responsible for the preparation of the abandon ship bill and has exclusive authority to order the ship abandoned. The master may, using discretion, and when not contrary to law or regulations, delegate authority for operation of shipboard functions to competent subordinates. However, such delegation of authority shall in no way relieve the master of continued responsibility for the safety, well-being, and efficiency of the ship.
2. All orders and instructions of the master shall be in accordance with appropriate laws of the Federation, and all applicable orders and regulations of Starfleet, the MACO

Command, and the Office of the Marine Corps Commandant. A master who departs from the orders or instructions of competent authority or takes official action contrary to such orders or instructions shall report immediately the circumstances to the authority from whom the prior orders or instructions were received.

3. The master has full authority to enforce appropriate laws of the Federation and all applicable orders and regulations of Starfleet, the MACO Command, and the Office of the Marine Corps Commandant. In furtherance of the master's authority to enforce the laws and maintain safety on board his or her ship, the master may:

- Conduct periodic inspections and surprise inspections throughout the ship to include messing and berthing areas.
- Conduct searches throughout the ship, including messing and berthing areas, when there is reasonable suspicion that an offense has been committed and the evidence of the offense will be discovered by the search.

0148. Relations With Merchant Crewman.

1. When in foreign regions, the commanding officer, with the approval of the senior officer present, may receive on board as supernumeraries for rations and passage

- Distressed crewman of the Federation for passage to any UFP planet or Starbase, provided they bind themselves to be amenable in all respects to Starfleet Regulations.
- As prisoners, crewman from merchant vessels of the Federation, provided that the witnesses necessary to substantiate the charges against the prisoners are received, or adequate means adopted to ensure the presence of such witnesses on arrival of the prisoners at the place where they are to be delivered to the civil authorities.

0149. Security of Ordinance and of Dangerous Materials

1. The commanding officer shall be the custodian of the codes to all spaces and receptacles containing projectiles, explosives and radioactive material. He or she may designate such persons under his or her command to have custody of duplicate codes as he or she considers necessary. He or she shall prescribe conditions under which those persons may grant access to such spaces, but otherwise the spaces shall not be opened without the consent of the commanding officer.

2. Codes affiliated with quantum weapons shall be maintained and with custody as directed by orders from competent authority.

3. The commanding officer shall ensure that, except when undergoing test or overhaul, the flooding and fire suppression systems are ready for use at all times.

4. The commanding officer shall ensure that flammable and other dangerous materials are stored and handled in a safe manner.

0150. Request for Inspection.

1. The commanding officer shall report to the Fleet Admiral without delay whenever the condition of the ship, or any department therein, is such as to require an inspection. Such report shall be forwarded through official channels and bear the recommendations of the superiors concerned.

0151. Action With the Enemy.

1. The commanding officer shall:

- Before going into battle or action communicate to the officers of the command, if possible, his or her plans for battle or action and such other information as may be of operational value should any of them succeed to command.
- During action, station the executive officer where he or she can best aid the commanding officer, and, if practicable, where he or she could probably escape the effects of a casualty disabling the commanding officer, and yet be able to assume command promptly and efficiently.
- During action, engage the enemy to the best of his or her ability. He or she shall not, without permission, break off action to assist disabled ship or to take possession of a captured one.
- Immediately after a battle or action, repair damage so far as possible, exert every effort to prepare the command for further service, and make accurate, explicit and detailed reports as required.

0152. Loss of a ship.

1. In the case of the loss of a ship, the commanding officer shall remain by her with officers and crew so long as necessary and shall save as much property as possible. Every reasonable effort shall be made to save any logs, personnel logs and records of officers and crew, and other valuable information.

2. If it becomes necessary to abandon the ship, the commanding officer should be the last person to leave.

3. The commanding officer shall:

- Take all possible precautions to protect the survivors and such Federation property that has been saved.
- Report to the nearest Starfleet or military command and request instructions and such assistance as is required
- Report the circumstances to the Fleet Admiral as soon as possible.

0153. Continuation of Authority After Loss of Ship or Shuttlecraft.

1. When the crew of any Starfleet vessel or shuttlecraft is separated from their vessel or shuttle because of its wreck, loss or destruction, all the command and authority given to the officers of the vessel or shuttlecraft shall remain in full force until the crew shall be regularly discharged or reassigned by competent authority.

0154. Medical Ship

1. The commanding officer of a medical ship shall be responsible for complying with the appropriate provisions of Starfleet Command for the amelioration of the condition of wounded, sick and shipwrecked members of any military or civil service. Where necessary to the fulfillment of this responsibility, a departure from other provisions of Starfleet Regulations is authorized.

2. One of the central requirements under Starfleet Regulations is that the ship maintain a non-combatant status. Under this requirement, the following conditions do not deprive medical ships of their non-combatant status:

- The fact that the crews are armed for the maintenance of order, for their own defense or that of the sick and wounded.
- The presence on board of apparatus exclusively intended to facilitate navigation or unclassified communications.
- The discovery on board medical ships or in sick bays of portable arms and ammunition taken from the wounded, sick and shipwrecked and not yet handed to proper authorities.
- The fact that humanitarian activities of medical ships or of the crews extend to the care of the wounded, sick or shipwrecked persons.
- The transport of equipment and of personnel intended exclusively for medical duties, over and above normal requirements of the medical ship.

0155. Status of Shuttles.

1. Shuttles shall be regarded in all matters concerning the rights, privileges and comity of governments as part of the ship to which they belong.

2. In dock where war, insurrection or armed conflict exists or threatens, the commanding officer shall:

- Require that shuttles away from the ship have some appropriate and competent person in charge
- See that steps are taken to make their affiliation evident at all times.

0816. Pilotage.

1. The commanding officer shall:

- Pilot the ship under all ordinary circumstances, but may employ pilots whenever, in his or her judgment, such employment is prudent.
- Not call a pilot on board until the ship is ready to proceed
- Not retain a pilot on board after the ship has reached her destination or a point where the pilot is no longer required

2. A pilot is merely an advisor to the commanding officer. The presence of a pilot on board shall not relieve the commanding officer or any subordinate from his or her responsibility for the proper performance of the duties with which he or she may be charged concerning the navigation and handling of the ship.

0157. Safe Navigation and Regulations Governing Operation of Ships and Shuttlecraft.

1. The commanding officer is responsible for the safe navigation of his or her ship or shuttlecraft, except as prescribed otherwise in these regulations for ships at a Federation shipyard or station, in drydock, or in warp restrictive zones. During an armed conflict an exercise simulating armed conflict, or an authorized security activity, competent authority may modify the use of sensors or other safeguards against collision. Except in time of actual armed conflict, such modifications will be authorized only when ships or shuttlecraft clearly will not be hazarded.

2. Professional standards and regulations governing shiphandling, safe navigation, safe docking and related operational matters shall be promulgated by the Fleet Admiral.

3. Professional standards and regulations governing the operation of Starfleet vessels and related matters shall be promulgated by the Fleet Admiral or the Commandant of the Marine Corps, as appropriate.

4. The commanding officer is responsible for ensuring that space related effects are considered in the effective and safe operation of his or her ship or shuttlecraft.

0156. Entering a dock or Landing at a Place Not Designated.

When a ship or shuttlecraft enters a dock or lands at a place not designated or permitted by instructions, the commanding officer shall promptly report to his or her immediate superior the cause for doing so, and an estimate of the delay which will be incurred. When such dock or place is within foreign jurisdiction, the nearest Federation diplomatic or consular representative, accredited to the government concerned, shall also be informed.

0159. Quarantine.

1. The commanding officer of a ship or shuttlecraft shall comply with all quarantine regulations and restrictions, Federation or foreign, for the part or area within which the ship or shuttlecraft is located.

2. The commanding officer shall give all information required by authorized foreign officials, insofar as permitted by Starfleet security, and will meet the quarantine requirements promulgated by proper authority for Federation or foreign docks. However, nothing in this article shall be interpreted as authorizing commanding officers to permit onboard inspections by foreign officials, or to modify in any manner the provisions of Article 0128 of these regulations.

3. The commanding officer shall allow no docking with other ships or shuttlecraft until after consultation with local health authorities when:

- A doubt exists as to the sanitary regulations or health conditions of the port or area.
- A quarantine condition exists aboard the ship or shuttlecraft.
- Coming from a suspected dock or area actually under quarantine.

4. No concealment shall be made or any circumstance that may subject a ship or shuttlecraft of the Starfleet to quarantine.

5. Should there appear at any time on board a ship or shuttlecraft conditions which present a hazard of introduction of a communicable disease outside the ship or shuttlecraft, the commanding officer or shuttlecraft commander shall at once report the fact to the senior officer present, to other appropriate higher authorities and, if in dock, to the health authorities having quarantine jurisdiction. The commanding officer or shuttlecraft commander shall prevent all contacts likely to spread disease until pratique is received. The commanding officer of a ship in dock shall communicate the appropriate signal.

0160. Xenophobes and Starfleet Inspectors.

1. The commanding officer or shuttlecraft commander shall facilitate any proper examination which it may be the duty of a Starfleet Inspector to make on board the ship or shuttlecraft. The commanding officer or shuttlecraft commander shall not permit a foreign inspector to make any examination whatsoever, except as hereinafter provided, on board the ship, shuttlecraft or Starbase under his or her command.

2. When a ship or shuttlecraft of Starfleet or a public vessel manned by Starfleet personnel and operating under the direction of Starfleet Command is carrying cargo for private commercial account, such cargo shall be subject to the local regulations of the dock, domestic or foreign, in which the ship or shuttlecraft may be, and in all matters relating to such cargo, the procedure prescribed for private merchant vessels and shuttlecraft shall be followed. Federation-owned stores or cargo in such ship or shuttlecraft not docked nor intended to be docked nor in any manner trafficked in, are, by the established precedent of intergalactic courtesy, exempt from inspections, but a declaration of such stores or cargo, when required by local regulations, shall be made. Commanding officers shall prevent, as far as possible, disputes with the local authorities

in such cases, but shall protect the ship or shuttlecraft and the Federation-owned stores and cargo from any search or seizure.

3. Upon arrival from a foreign region, at the first Starbase in Federation territory, the commanding officer, or the senior officer or ships or shuttlecraft in company, shall notify the collector of the base. Each individual aboard shall, in accordance with regulations, submit a list of articles purchased or otherwise acquired abroad. Dutiable articles shall not be landed until an inspection has been completed by Starfleet Inspectors.

4. Commanding officers of Starfleet vessels and commanders of shuttlecraft transporting Federation civilian and foreign military and civilian passengers shall satisfy themselves that the passenger clearance requirements of the Starfleet Command are complied with upon arrival at ports within the jurisdiction of the Federation. Clearance for such passengers by a Starfleet Inspector is necessary upon arrival from foreign regions. Commanding officers, prior to arriving, shall advise the cognizant Starfleet or civilian docking authority of the aforementioned passengers aboard and shall detain them for clearance as required by Starfleet Command.

5. The provisions of this article shall not be construed to require delaying the movements of any ship or shuttlecraft of Starfleet in the performance of her assigned duty.

Section 3. Special Circumstances

Subsection A. Ships Starbases and Shipyards

0170. Movement of Ships at a Starbase.

1. No ship or shuttlecraft shall be moved or undergo dock trials during its stay at a Starbase, except by direction or with the approval of the commanding officer of such station.

2. A ship arriving at, or departing from, a Starbase shall be furnished such assistance, including movement via tractor-beam when available, as in the opinion of the commanding officer of the station or of the ship may be necessary for her safe handling.

0171. Responsibility for Safety of Ships and Shuttlecraft at a Starbase or Shipyard.

1. The commanding officer of a Starbase or shipyard shall be responsible for the care and safety of all ships and shuttlecraft at such station or shipyard not under a commanding officer or assigned to another authority, and for any damage that may be done by or to them. In addition, the commanding officer of a Starbase or shipyard shall be responsible for the safe execution of work performed by that activity upon any ship located at the activity.

2. It shall be the responsibility of the commanding officer of a ship in commission which is undergoing overhaul, or which is otherwise immobilized at a Starbase or

shipyard, to request such services necessary to ensure the safety of the ship. The commanding officer of the Starbase or shipyard shall be responsible for providing requested services in a timely and adequate manner.

3. When a ship or shuttlecraft not under her own power is being moved by direction of the commanding officer of a Starbase or shipyard, that officer shall be responsible for any damage that may result therefrom. The pilot or other person designated for the purpose shall be in direct charge of such movement, and all persons on board shall cooperate with and assist the pilot as necessary. Responsibility for such actions in a private shipyard will be assigned by contract to the contractor.

4. When a ship operating under her own power is being dry-docked, the commanding officer shall be fully responsible for the safety of the ship until the extremity of the ship first to enter the dry-dock reaches the dock sill and the ship is pointed fair for entering the dry-dock. The docking officer shall then take charge and complete the docking, remaining in charge until the ship has been properly docked and the docking clamps locked. In undocking, the docking officer shall assume charge when unlocking the docking clamps preparatory to undocking, and shall remain in charge until the extremity of the ship lasts to leave the dock clears the sill, and the ship is pointed fair for leaving the dry-dock, when the ship's commanding officer shall assume responsibility for the safety and control of the ship.

5. When a Starfleet vessel is to be dry-docked in a private shipyard under a contract being administered by a supervisor of shipbuilding, the responsibilities of the commanding officer are the same as in the case of dry-docking in a Federation shipyard. The responsibilities for the safety of the actual dry-docking, normally assigned to the commanding officer of a Federation shipyard through the docking officer, will be assigned by contract to the contractor. The supervisor of shipbuilding is responsible, however, for ensuring that the contractor facilities, methods, operations and qualifications meet the standards of efficiency and safety prescribed by Starfleet directives.

6. If the ship is elsewhere than at a Federation Starbase or shipyard, the relationship between the commanding officer and the supervisor of shipbuilding, or other appropriate official, shall be the same as that between the commanding officer and the commanding officer of a Federation base or Federation shipyard as specified in this article.

0172. Ships and Shuttlecraft in Dry-dock.

1. The commanding officer of a ship in dry-dock shall be responsible for effecting adequate closure, during such periods as they will be unattended, of all openings in the ship upon which no work is being undertaken by the docking activity. The commanding officer of the docking activity shall be responsible for the closing, at the end of working hours, of all Jefferies tubes and other openings in the ship upon which work is being undertaken by the docking activity, when such closing is practicable.

2. When a ship or shuttlecraft, not in commission, is in a Federation dry-dock, the provisions of this article shall apply, except that the commanding officer of the docking activity or area representative shall act in the capacity of the commanding officer of the ship or shuttlecraft.

4. When a Starfleet vessel is in dry-dock in a private shipyard, responsibility for actions normally assigned to the commanding officer of the docking activity will be assigned by contract to the contractor.

0173. Inspection Incident to Commissioning of Ships.

1. When a ship is to be commissioned, the authority designated to place such ship in commission shall, just prior to commissioning, cause an inspection to be made to determine the cleanliness and readiness of the ship to receive its crew and outfit. In the case of the delivery of a ship by a contractor, the above inspection shall precede acceptance of the ship. A copy of the report of this inspection shall be furnished to the officer detailed to command the ship and to appropriate commands or offices.

0174. Relations With Personnel of Federation Shipyards or Starbases.

Except in matters coming within the security and safety regulations of the ship, the commanding officer shall exercise no control over the officers or employees of a Federation shipyard or station where his or her ship is docked, except with the permission of the commander of the Federation shipyard or station.

Section 3. Special Circumstances

Subsection B. Prospective Commanding Officers

0175. Duties of the Prospective Commanding Officer of a Ship.

1. Except as may be prescribed by the Fleet Admiral, the prospective commanding officer of a ship not yet commissioned shall have no independent authority over the preparation of the ship for service by virtue of assignment to such duty, until the ship is commissioned and placed under his or her command. The prospective commanding officer shall:

- Procure from the commander of the Federation shipyard or the supervisor of shipbuilding the general arrangement plans of the ship, and all pertinent information relative to the general condition of the ship and the work being undertaken on the hull, technology and equipment, upon reporting for duty.
- Inspect the ship as soon after reporting for duty as practicable, and frequently thereafter, in order to keep him or herself informed of the state of her preparation for service. If, during the course of these inspections he or she notes any unsafe or potentially unsafe condition, he or she shall report such fact to the commander of

the Federation shipyard or the supervisor of shipbuilding and to his or her superior for resolution.

- Keep him or herself informed as to the progress of the work being done, including tests of equipment, and make such recommendations to the commander of the Federation shipyard or the supervisor of shipbuilding as he or she deems appropriate.
- Ensure that requisitions are submitted for articles to outfit the ship which are not otherwise being provided.
- Prepare the organization of the ship
- Train the command crew to effectively and efficiently take charge of and operate the ship upon commissioning.
- Make such reports as may be required by higher authority, and include therein a statement of any deficiency in material or personnel.

2. If the prospective commanding officer does not consider the ship in proper condition to be commissioned at the time the commander of the Federation shipyard or the supervisor of shipbuilding signifies the intention of transferring the ship to the prospective commanding officer, he or she shall report that conclusion with the reason therefor, in writing, to the commander of the Federation shipyard or to the supervisor of shipbuilding and to the appropriate higher authority.

3. If the ship is elsewhere than at a Federation shipyard, the relationship between the prospective commanding officer and the supervisor of shipbuilding, or other appropriate official, shall be the same as that between the prospective commanding officer and the commander of a Federation shipyard as specified in this article.

4. The Fleet Admiral shall be responsible for providing the commanding officer or prospective commanding officer of a Starfleet vessel with the authority and direction necessary to carry out his or her responsibilities for the safety of the ship and crew, and the health and safety of the general public in the surrounding space.

0176. Commissioning and Assuming Command.

1. A ship shall be transferred to the prospective commanding officer and placed in commission in accordance with the following procedure:

- The formal transfer shall be effected by the supervisory authority or a designated representative.
- As many of the officers and crew of the ship as circumstances permit, and a guard and music, shall be assembled and properly distributed in a suitable part of the ship.
- The officer effecting the transfer shall cause the national ensign and the proper insignia of command to be displayed with the appropriate ceremonies, and shall turn the ship over to the prospective commanding officer.
- The prospective commanding officer shall read his or her orders, assume command, and cause the watch to be set.

0177. Preparing for Space After Commissioning.

In preparing the ship for space after commissioning, the commanding officer shall endeavor to discover and correct any defect or inadequacy in the crew or in the ship, her installations, equipment, weaponry and stores and shall ensure that all installations and equipment can be operated satisfactorily by the crew.

0178. Personnel Organized and Stationed.

Before departure for space, the commanding officer shall ensure that the officers and crew have been properly organized, stationed and trained to cope effectively with any emergency that might arise in the normal course of scheduled operations.

Section 4. Starfleet Regulations and General Orders

General Order #1

As the right of each sentient being to live in accordance with its normal cultural evolution is considered sacred, no Starfleet personnel may interfere with the normal and healthy development of alien life and culture. Such interference includes introducing superior knowledge, strength, or technology to a world whose society is incapable of handling such advantages wisely. Starfleet personnel may not violate this Prime Directive, even to save their lives and/or their ships, unless they are acting to right an earlier violation or an accidental contamination of said culture. This directive takes precedence over any and all other considerations, and carries with it the highest moral obligation.

General Order #2

No Starfleet personnel shall unnecessarily use force, either collectively or individually, against members of the United Federation of Planets, their duly authorized representatives, spokespersons, or designated leaders, or members of any sentient non-member race, for any reason whatsoever.

General Order #3

The sovereignty of each Federation members being respected in all things, Starfleet personnel shall observe any and all statutes, laws, ordinances, and rules of governance currently in effect within the jurisdiction of a member planet. Violators of such ordinances will be subject to such punishments or corrections as shall be determined by local governmental bodies.

General Order #4

If contact is made with hitherto undiscovered intelligent lifeforms, under no circumstances shall Starfleet personnel, either by word or deed, inform said lifeforms that worlds other than their own exists outside the confines of their own space.

General Order #5

In cases of extreme emergency, Federation special representatives are empowered to assume emergency powers to deal with a condition or circumstance that is deemed hazardous to the welfare of Federation citizenry. Within the scope of these emergency powers, duly authorized civilian personnel may assume temporary command of Starfleet vessels and/or personnel to deal with the emergency. Starfleet personnel must submit to their authority for the duration of the crisis.

General Order #6

The request for emergency assistance from Federation citizenry demands unconditional priority from Starfleet personnel. Such personnel shall immediately respond to said request, postponing all other activities.

General Order #7

No Starfleet vessel shall visit the planet Talos IV under any circumstances, emergency or otherwise. This order supersedes General Order 6. Any transgression of this general order shall be punishable by death.

General Order #8

Upon sighting a warship within Federation space and identifying it as belonging to a foreign power, the commander of the Starfleet vessel shall determine the reason(s) for that craft's presence in the vicinity. If there is conclusive evidence that the vessel has a hostile intention, the Federation vessel may take appropriate action to safeguard the lives and property of Federation members. In such cases, the commander may use his discretion in deciding whether to use force to disable the hostile vessel. However, care should be taken to avoid unnecessary loss of sentient life.

General Order #9

No commander of a Starfleet vessel, military or auxiliary, may grant political asylum to any individual without first being given express permission to do so by a representative of the Federation government.

General Order #10

If there exists eyewitness testimony by senior officers or similar verifiable evidence that an individual has violated the Prime Directive, said individual may be relieved of duty by a duly sworn representative of the Federation government and placed under immediate arrest. The governmental representative shall then take such action as he deems necessary to minimize the results of the violation.

General Order #11

Starfleet officers with the rank of captain or higher are granted full authority to negotiate conditions of agreement and/or treaties with legal representatives of non-Federation planets. In such circumstances, the acting officer carries de facto powers of a Federation special ambassador. Any and all agreements arranged in this manner are subject to

approval by the Commander in Chief of Starfleet Command and the Secretary of Starfleet.

General Order #12

Federation officers may violate Neutral Zone areas as designated by treaty only if such action is required to save the lives of Federation citizens under conditions of extreme emergency.

General Order #13

Except when orders state to the contrary, Starfleet personnel will respect the territorial integrity of independent planetary systems and governments, and will not violate territorial space belonging to such worlds.

General Order #14

Starfleet personnel may intervene in local planetary affairs to restore general order and to secure the lives and property of Federation citizens only upon receiving a direct order to do so from a civilian official with the title of governor or higher.

General Order #15

No officer of flag rank may travel into a potentially hazardous area without suitable armed escort.

General Order #16

Starfleet personnel may extend technological, medical, or other scientific assistance to a member of a previously unrecognized sentient species only if such assistance in no way compromises the Prime Directive of the security of the Federation or Starfleet.

General Order #17

Starfleet vessel captains are to consider the lives of their crew members as sacred. In any potentially hostile situation, the captain will place the lives of his crew above the fate of his ship.

General Order #18

Upon being accused of treason against the Federation, Starfleet personnel may demand a trial conducted by the Federation judiciary. If the individual is acquitted, Starfleet Command shall have no further legal recourse against the accused in said manner.

General Order #19

Except in times of declared emergency, Starfleet personnel may under no circumstances convey personnel or material between planets or planetary systems when there is reason to believe that said personnel or material may be used to conduct aggression. This order applies to independent worlds within the Federation as well as to Federation members.

General Order #20

Officers and personnel of Starfleet Command may employ whatever means necessary to prevent the possession, transportation, sale, or commercial exchange of sentient beings being held against their wishes within the boundaries of Federation space.

General Order #21

No Starfleet personnel, either officer or enlisted, may offer his services to an independent foreign government without the express authorization of the Federation Assembly.

General Order #22

As the rights of individual expression and free discourse are considered sacred, Starfleet personnel may debate the policies and decisions of their governmental representatives privately at any time, to the extent that such discussions do not violate their command oath or specific duties to the Federation per these General Orders or Starfleet regulations.

General Order #23

When verifiable proof is presented to the senior commanding officer of a Starfleet vessel or post that a Federation representative may currently be acting or has acted in the past to violate the Prime Directive, the officer may relieve said representative of office, then assume the full powers of that office pending a full investigation by government officials.

General Order #24

If a commanding officer deems that an individual or group of individuals pose a threat to Starfleet personnel or Federation civilians, he may take any action deemed necessary (including the use of force) to secure the safety of those threatened.

General Order #25

Civilian and military personnel taken into custody by Starfleet personnel during times of extreme emergency shall be accorded proper treatment consistent with rank or station, insofar as such treatment does not compromise the security of the Federation or Starfleet.

General Order #26

No member of a ship's complement or other ground-based installation can be held directly accountable for the actions of their superiors. Similarly, no member of a ship's company or other Starfleet personnel will share in disciplinary measures taken against the commanding officer(s) if said individuals were not directly involved in the actions leading to disciplinary measures. This order extends to conditions involving proven violations of the Prime Directive, where proof of such violations exist.

General Order #27

No member of Starfleet shall be required by the assignment of standard duties and responsibilities to undergo extended separation from his family if family members can be reasonably provided for aboard ship or as a part of an existing Starfleet installation.

General Order #28

No officer of command rank shall be removed from command status unless such action has the complete and unqualified agreement of at least three senior officers present. Whenever possible, such officers shall include the ship's First Officer, Chief Medical Officer, Counselor, and one junior officer of command station.

General Order #29

The primary responsibility of the commander of any Starfleet vessel or installation is the welfare and safety of his crew, including any civilian members. No action may be taken that creates an unwarranted threat to the safety of those individuals under the officer's charge, except in the line of duty and when otherwise unavoidable.

General Order #30

Starfleet Command recognizes the right of each ship commander to interpret the specifications of the Prime Directive as he sees fit, consistent with the conditions of other existing general orders in effect, and based upon circumstances that may arise in dealing with newly discovered sentient races.

General Order #31

The conditions and specifications of the Prime Directive shall henceforth apply to all sentient lifeforms discovered, whether they are of natural or artificial origin.

General Order #32

Except in the case of an extreme emergency, no Starfleet commander is authorized to order his ship to travel faster than Warp Factor Five without express permission from Starfleet Command.

Directives

The Prime Directive

See General Order #1

The Omega Directive Briefing

The Omega Directive was created to deal with a threat not only to the Federation, but to the entire Alpha Quadrant; and indeed the whole Galaxy. Starfleet named the hazard the Omega molecule/particle phenomenon. It was first synthesized over 100 years ago (during the mid-22nd century) by a Starfleet physicist named Ketteract. The molecule created was the most powerful substance known to exist. A single Omega molecule contains the same energy as a warp core. It has been suggested that in theory, a small chain could sustain a civilization. It is not known whether Ketteract was searching for an inexhaustible power source, or a weapon. He created a single molecule particle of Omega, which lasted for only a fraction of a second before it destabilized. His work was done on a classified research center in the Lantaru Sector. Ketteract and 126 of the Federation's leading scientists, were lost in the accident. Rescue teams attempting to reach the site, discovered an unexpected secondary effect. There were subspace ruptures

extending out several light years. To this day, it is impossible to create a stable warp field in that sector. It can only be traversed under sublight power. This is the danger of the Omega molecule. Omega destroys subspace. A chain reaction could devastate subspace throughout the quadrant. Space-faring civilization would no longer exist, and many lives would be lost in space. When Starfleet learned of this impending danger, it suppressed all knowledge of the Omega phenomenon. Only Starfleet Captains and Federation Flag Officers may view this document.

Article 1

Starfleet Captains and Federation Flag Officers must ensure the safety of the quadrant from the Omega threat. To this end, whenever sensors positively determine the presence of Omega in a ship's vicinity it will enter "Omega Protocol." Doing so locks all navigation, sensor, tactical and propulsion systems. Only the ship's Captain, or a Federation Flag Officer can release the Omega lockout. Access to sensor data retrieved on the Omega effect is limited to Clearance Level 10. When Omega has been verified, the ship's captain will contact Starfleet Command immediately. No information may be relayed to the ship's crew. All other priorities are rescinded until the threat is neutralized. The prime directive may be compromised during such a mission, if necessary. Blatant abuse of this power will be prosecuted to the fullest extent using all other Starfleet Directives. If violation of the prime directive is even minimally anticipated, it is authorized and advised. If Starfleet Command cannot be contacted for any reason, the primary priority is the destruction of all Omega molecules detected. There will be no computer record of the sensor logs, and Captain's/Captains' Personal Logs must be either encrypted or deleted.

Article 2

If Starfleet can not be contacted the Captain may share information of the Omega Molecule. Only the senior officers of the ship and/or starbase may help in the destruction of the dangerous molecule

Regulations

Regulation 3 (Paragraph 12): In the event of imminent destruction, a Starfleet Captain is authorized to preserve the lives of his crew by any justifiable means.

Regulation 6.57: At least two staff officers to be present during any treaty or contract negotiations.

Regulation 7 (Paragraph 4): An officer must consider himself under arrest, unless in the presence of the most senior fellow officers presently available, the officers must give satisfactory answer to those charges.

Regulation 12 (Chapter 4): Relates to the Captain undertaking command of an away mission.

Regulation 42/15: Pressure Variances in IRC Tank Storage; part of the basic operational specifications for impulse engines.

Regulation 46A: If transmissions are being monitored during battle, no uncoded messages on an open channel.

Regulation 157, Section 3 (Paragraph 18): Starfleet officers shall take all necessary precautions to minimize any participation in historical events.

Regulation 191 (Article 14): In a combat situation involving more than one ship, command falls to the vessel with tactical superiority.

Regulation 476.9: All away teams must report to the bridge at least once every 24 hours.

Regulation 2884.3: Substances unstable in an oxygen atmosphere must be handled with care.

Regulation 3287.0: Due to its high volatile nature, antimatter must be stored in magnetic confinement pods.

Procedure Q: If a state of deep hostility exists, a landing party is to beam down fully armed and ready for any kind of trouble.

Starfleet Away Team Guidelines

Medical Emergency on Alien Terrain: It is recommended to keep an open com-channel at all times.

Specifically forbid the transport of unknown infectious agents onto a starship without establishing containment and eradication protocols.

Captain leading Away Teams: Starfleet Code Section 12, Paragraph 4

Starfleet Regulation #476.9: All Away Teams must report to the Bridge at least once every 24 hours.

Starfleet Security Protocols

Protocol 28 (Subsection D): In the event of hostile alien takeover the EMH is to deactivate and wait for rescue.

Starfleet Medical Protocols

Protocol 121 (Section A): The Chief Medical Officer has the power to relieve an officer or crewman, including a superior one, of their duties if in the officer's professional judgment, he or she is medically unfit.

Starfleet/Federation Codes

Code 1: Signals either a total or imminent disaster, a possible invasion, or indicates that the Federation is either currently or about to be engaged in open warfare with a hostile power. The code requires all Starfleet personnel within the affected area to immediately assume a 'war' footing or posture. It is also colloquially known as "Defense Alert", or a "Priority One Alert".

Code 7-10: A quarantine code. No Starfleet or Federation-registered starship is to approach a system or vessel which is broadcasting Code 7-10.

Code 47: An ultra-secure communications protocol. So secure that all traces of a Code 47 transmission or communication are automatically wiped from all computer records.