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The *Dragon*-class 400-ton system defense boat is the most commonly encountered SDB in the Imperium. *Dragons* are used for customs patrol, piracy suppression, search and rescue operations, and many other missions. This set also includes deck plans for the 200-ton clamp-on jump shuttle, used to transfer SDBs from system to system (and a starship in its own right).

Because the SDB is so often encountered on nonmilitary missions, this deck plan will be of interest even to GMs who are not running military-oriented campaigns. It includes nine double-sided sheets (hexes on one side, squares on the other), and a set of *Cardboard Heroes* miniatures.

Deck plans shown

1/8 actual size

DECK PLAN Symbols

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Iris Valve





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DECK 2

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SIDE VIEW – DECK 2 SHOLIFF **SDB**







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Weaponry

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Equipment

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Statistics

<i>Dim.:</i> 104'×42'×29' <i>Volume:</i> 400 dtons	Payload: 18 tons Maint.: 1.8 hours (52.6 man-hours/day)
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Offensive	$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Missiles} = \times 03 \\ \text{Beam Laser} = \times 04 \end{array}$	
Defensive	DefDM = +7	
Contro	I: Computer = 5×3, Panel = holodynamic link×842, Special = headsUp×5, Environ = basic env, basic ls, extend ls, grav plates, inertial comp	
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