This issue of Captain’s Log brings you a selection of escort ships from the future **STAR FLEET CARRIER FORCE** expansion pack. We ask players to experiment with these rules and give us your input regarding how they work.

Ships qualified to be escorts are marked with the “E” symbol as seen on the cards below. This symbol is not, itself, a damage point and the ship is not worth extra victory points because of it. Only carriers (those ships with fighters on board, not including certain Hydran ships which will be obvious to SFB players) can be escorted, and only by a ship with the escort “E” symbol. (We are considering an optional rule to allow escorts to protect any ship in your formation. Your playtest results are welcome.) Each carrier can have one escort and each escort can protect only one carrier. Escort ships (i.e., those with the “E”) may only attack at short range (regardless of what weapons they carry).

For a carrier to be escorted, the escort ship must be placed with it in the formation. (The owner of the two ships simply places them together in the same row and announces that the escort is protecting the carrier.) Which carrier an escort is protecting can be changed every turn during the same step in which ships cloak or uncloak. A cloaked escort cannot protect another ship.

When a carrier and escort are paired, no one can attack the carrier without first destroying the escort, but both ships can be attacked on the same turn. Either ship could fire defensive weapons to protect the other.

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**Federation Destroyer Escort Nagumo**
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**Gorn Battle Destroyer Escort Iron Scale**
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**Hydran War Hunter Escort Warder**
- PH-1
- PH-G
- PH-2

**Klingon F5E Escort Fire Guard**
- DRN
- PH-2
- PH-1

**Romulan Skyhawk Escort Rampart**
- PL-F
- PH-1
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