

# U.S.S. AVENGER NCC-1860

## CREATING A FICTIONAL CHARACTER

*In creating a fictional character profile, you will need to include the following items:*

- 1] **Full Name:** As it would be included in Star Fleet personnel records
- 2] **Rank:** For a direct-analog Avenger or Starfleet character, this would be the rank you hold in the organization.
- 3] **Serial Number:** This is typically the Starfleet SCC number or any number a particular chapter might use (if the two are different).
- 4] **Official Position:** For a direct-analog Avenger or Starfleet character, this is the position you hold in the organization. It represents the position in which you would serve in Star Fleet, whether aboard a ship, at a base, etc.
- 5] **Current Assignment:** Where your character is serving at the present time. This is usually equivalent to the chapter of which you are a member.
- 6] **Nature and Duration of Mission:** Refers to the kind of mission the ship is on (or the base is performing), and how long that mission is. (The latter is frequently "5 Years".)
- 7] **Age:** This is your character's age. Please be realistic. 23-year-old Admirals just don't exist. make your character an age that might seem reasonable for his/her position and rank. (If you really want to do something unusual, be sure to suggest a realistic explanation for why it's happening.)
- 8] **Nationality:** This is the planet of citizenship. It also can be used to indicate race, if your character is something other than Human.
- 9] **Place of Birth:** Should include planet, country/state/province (if such exists on that planet), and/or city (especially on planets where cities are the largest separate units of community).
- 10] **Date of Birth:** Use the Terran (Earth) Calendar. This is based on character age. For our purposes, the "present" in fiction is precisely 300 years from the present in reality (i.e., as I write this on 27 April 1998 in reality, our fictional "now" is 27 April 2298).
- 11] **History:** This is your character's career history. If the character entered Star Fleet Academy immediately after secondary (high) school, begin with the Academy. If not, include other postsecondary (college/university) education and (if applicable) pre-Star Fleet career experience.  
For your Star Fleet career, include:
  - A] Graduation from Academy (including specialty/major and any academic awards, honors, etc. your character may have earned, if applicable), as well as any post-graduate Academy work.
  - B] In chronological order, all assignments (ships, bases, space stations, outposts, etc.) your character has had. Include the rank(s) and position(s) held while on each of these assignments, and any changes to rank and/or position. Always include the character's age at the time of each change (promotion/position-change/transfer/demotion/etc.). This creates a chronology of the character's professional life.
  - C] The chronology may be embellished by particular achievements or activities while on various assignments. An act of bravery might be noted, for example, with appropriate promotion or commendation, etc.
- 12] **Personal:** This is the area where your character's personality is colored in. Pay attention to the following categories, where they apply to your character:
  - A] Marital Status
  - B] Family Status: Parents, siblings. Are they all still alive? Where are they? What are they doing?
  - C] Romances/Relationships/Friendships that have figured (or do figure) significantly enough in your character's life that Fleet Psych would be aware of them. (This will apply to most significant relationships and/or friendships. Fleet Psych is very good at what it does.)
  - D] Hobbies/Interests/Etc.
  - E] Personality Traits, Quirks, Etc.
  - F] Other: Anything else that you think would appear in a short Star Fleet profile of your character and that rounds out his/her personality.

NOTE: Characters can be direct projections of you into the fictional universe (this works well when direct role-playing goes on in environments like Avenger's) or they can be fictional beings who hold the equivalent in the fictional world of your position in the chapter in real-life. You can also use this format to create Star Fleet characters in any part of the Star Trek Universe you choose. It is not limited to the universe as represented by Starfleet: The International Star Trek Fan Association, Inc., or the U.S.S. Avenger Chapter.

Remember: Character creation should be fun. Be creative and enjoy yourself. Just don't forget that Star Trek is science fiction, *not* science fantasy. Keep your character realistic for maximum interest. By making characters realistic, they become interesting people who are fun to write about in stories or to use in role-playing.