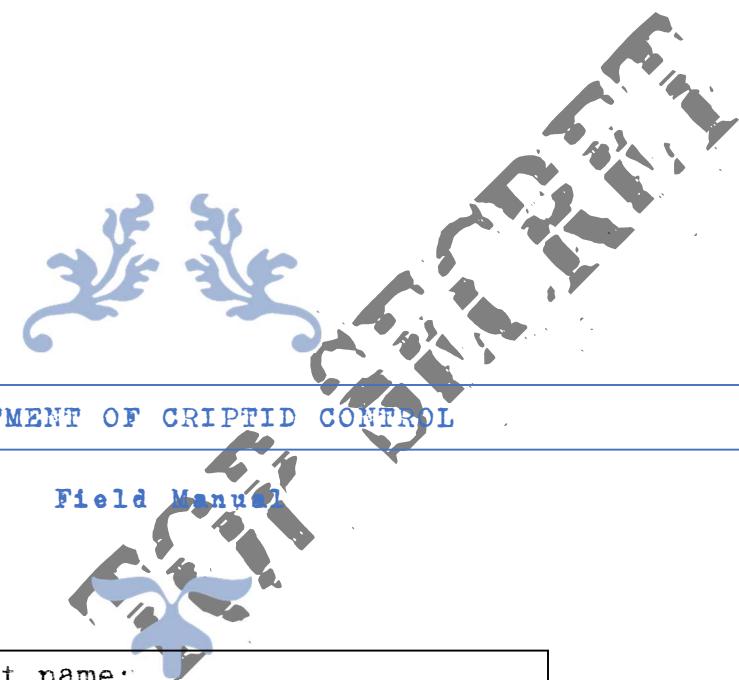


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DESIGNATION

FIELD NAME: Swivlers (AKA Hairline Hitters)

DCC-CLASS: OM-5

THREAT CATEGORY: LOW

SECRECY PRIORITY: ABSOLUTE

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Swivlers appear as spider-rodent hybrids with [REDACTED] legs.

They are not friendly.

They are fully biological.

They are dangerous [REDACTED].

They are sometimes confused as:

Spiders

Rodents

This misclassification can be useful in incident cover-up operations.

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

HEIGHT: 2 - 3 feet

BUILD: Rodent-spider mix

SKIN: Furry and arachnid-like

LIMBS: Have █ limbs

DENTITION: Rodent-like teeth

Swivlers are usually consistent in this description, but sometimes have:

Extra eyes

More than one head

Spider-like mandibles

Body shape never varies.

#### HUNTING METHODS

Swivlers usually hunt in packs of 4 to 5 and utilize the following tactics:

- Swivlers often rush prey in large groups in order to overwhelm them.
- Swivlers will sometimes ambush moving prey in groups.
- Swivlers have been known to encircle prey.
- Swivlers are intelligent and have been observed:
  - Climbing trees to reach prey
  - Targeting █ prey
  - Moving through complex underground systems easily
- Swivlers may be small, but do not underestimate their █.

#### BEHAVIOR

Swivlers are quick, decisive, and smart. They do not exhibit the following behaviors:

They do not fall for traps easily.

Swivlers do not attack unless in a group.

Swivlers utilize their small and quick build to outmaneuver prey and jump on them. Swivlers also:

Can swivel their heads 360 degrees faster than human eye detection



Have a nasty tendency to jump on LLE  
Swivlers have been spotted in the following places:  
Underground tunnels  
[REDACTED]

Take caution when going into these areas.

#### INTERACTION WITH HUMANS

Swivlers rarely attack humans without provocation.

Documented fatalities occur when:

Deputies explore suspicious holes

Prey is pinned to the ground

Law enforcement uses batons instead of guns

Upon pinning a victim:

- Swivlers remove the esophagus and [REDACTED]
- Swivlers drag the victim into tunnel systems

Victims are shared communally throughout the colony

Death is painful and sometimes slow.

Witnesses report screaming from tunnel systems and signs of struggle.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

Areas inhabited by Swivlers have:

More holes

Less wildlife population

Horrible smells coming from underground

Sulfur content increased by 20 ppm

Trees do not grow in these zones.

Crocodiles do not inhabit swamps around these zones.

Color Bleeder sightings are more frequent in these zones.

#### FIELD ADVISORIES



Do not attempt to explore holes in these areas.

Do not attempt to kill with bats.

Do not underestimate Swivlers.

Do not enter Swivler nest areas.

Swivlers are very territorial.

If you see a Swivler with more than three heads, retreat and call in Equilibrium Squad.

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#### CONTAINMENT POLICIES

Containment is situational.

Preferred containment situations:

Only attempt to contain a lone Swivler.

Never attempt to enter nests to contain King Swivlers.

Never attempt to contain hunting parties of Swivlers.

Always use local law enforcement. Do not expect all personnel to succeed or return.

Scientific extraction has high success rates if done correctly.

Living specimens are preferred.

#### BEHAVIORAL THEORY (INTERNAL)

Swivlers may not be animals.

They may be a mutation.

Hypotheses include:

Gene mutation via radiation

Social evolution within the animal kingdom

The first emergence of a new species of smarter animals

Further study pending.

#### FINAL NOTE

Swivlers are smart.

They do not wait to eat.

They do not taste great, according to local chefs.

Always maintain control of the situation and never underestimate Swivlers.

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