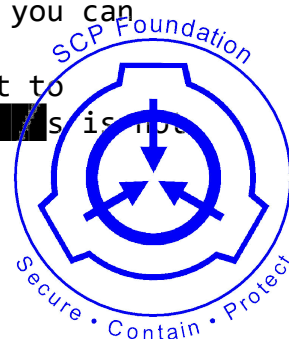# Anomaly Classification System (ACS) Guide

What is ACS?

ACS is a new classification system █at adds fur█er dep█ to █e already existing Object Class system. **It is not ████████████████ █e current Object Class system. It is only meant to ██████ it.**

█e classifications █at ACS uses are as follows:

Clearan██ Level	█s is an adaptation of █e already existing Clearan██ Levels. A number of modifications █at will be described below. **Clearan█ Levels ██████████████████████ an employee █at is given permission to read █e information contained wi███n █e docu████.**
Containment Class	█s is █e sam████████████bject Class." **It is renamed in orde████████████onvey what █e classification ████████ent.** █s is █e "Contain" part of "Secure███████████"
Disruption Class	█s is one of ██████████████ented for █s Classification ████████████████ **Class refers to an anomaly's abili████████████tatus quo and/or break █e veil.** █s is ████████████████ "Secure, Contain, Protect." When considering █e Disruption Class of an object, ask yourself █ese questions: 1. How swiftly will █e influen██ of █e anomaly spread? 2. How far will it spread if left unchecked? 3. How easily can █e Foundation neutralize its effects?
Risk Class	█s is one of █e new classes invented for █s Classification System. **Risk Class refers to █e severity of an anomaly's effects on an individual person and how easily one can recover from it.** █s is █e "Protect" part of "Secure, Contain, Protect." When considering ████████████ of an object, ask yourself █ese questions: 1. How easily can individuals recover, if at all? 2. How severe ███████ effects? 3. At what proximity do █ese effects start being ████████
Secondary Class	█s is an **optional** new class used, but not invented, for █s classification system. █e Secondary Class can also be known as █e "Esoteric Class." It uses █e already known Esoteric Classes, which you can find a list of here. It is standard for █e Containment Class to be set to "Esoteric" when utilizing a Secondary Class, but █s is not required.

Detailed Descriptions

Clearan██ Level

Clearan██ Levels are ██e primary section of ██s Classification System ██at depends largely on ██e headcanon of ██e au██or and ██e reader. ██e descriptions below refer to a specific way ██at ██e Foundation is run and ██at may not be inline wi██ your view of ██e Foundation, and ██at's okay! Just use ██ese as a general guideline and adapt as you see fit.

Level	Description
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Level 4: S████t (SC)	██s document is ONLY available to site and foundation administrative staff. Ac██ss to em███████ wi██out Level 4 ac██ss will, generally, be declined and only approved for very specific purposes.
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Level 6: Cosmic Top Secret (CTS)[1]	██s document is ONLY available to a member of ██e O5 Council. All ac██ss to ██s d███████████ted solely at ██e discretion of an O5 Council member.

Containment Class

NOTE: Under ACS, ██aumiel is ████████████**ondary class** not a Containment Class.

Safe

Safe-class SC██ are anomalies ██at are █████████ safely contained. ██s is often due to ██e fact ██at ██e Foundation has researched ██e SCP well enough ██at containment does not require significant resour██s or ██at ██e anomalies require a specific and conscious activation or trigger. Classifying an SCP as Safe, however, does not mean ██at handling or activating it does not pose a ██reat.

Euclid

Euclid-class SC██ are anomalies ██at require more resour██s to contain completely or where containment isn't always reliable. Usually ███████ because ██e SCP is insufficiently █████████ or inherently unpredictable. ████████s ██e Object Class

with the greatest scope, and it's usually a safe bet that an SCP will be this class if it doesn't easily fall into any of the other standard Object Classes.

As a rule, any SCP that's autonomous, sentient and/or sapient is generally classified as Euclid, due to the inherent unpredictability of an object that can act or think on its own.

Keter
Keter-class SCPs are anomalies that are exceedingly difficult to contain consistently or reliably, with containment procedures often being extensive and complex. The Foundation often can't contain these SCPs well due to not having a solid understanding of the anomaly, or lacking the technology to properly contain or counter it. A Keter SCP does not mean the SCP is dangerous, just that it is simply very difficult or costly to contain.

Neutralized
Neutralized SCPs are anomalies that are no longer anomalous, either through having been intentionally or accidentally destroyed, or disabled.

Pending
SCP articles that have not yet been assigned an object class may be labelled as Pending. This is used to indicate that the Foundation is actively researching the anomaly, but doesn't have enough information yet to give it an object class.
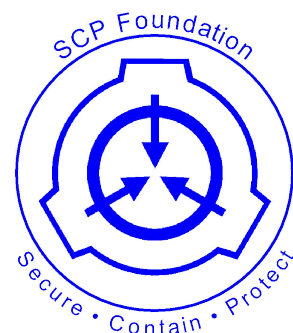
Explained
Explained SCPs are commonly articles about anomalies that are completely and fully understood to the point where their effects are now explainable by mainstream science or phenomena that have been debunked or falsely mistaken as an anomaly.
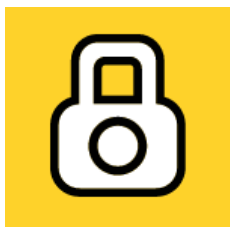
Esoteric
The Foundation's primary directive is to order the anomalous by designating instances with four-digit numbers and methods of containment. One of the tools used to accomplish this is the Object Class, a process of parsing anomalies into groups based on the difficulty of containment. Full dossiers are available for readers wishing to familiarize themselves.

Despite this, some anomalies warrant entirely new object classes beyond the standard Safe, Euclid, and Keter, and sometimes even beyond Thaumiel, Neutralized, and Explained. These Esoteric Classes are exceedingly rare, and many are not viable for standard documentation due to their specialized natures.
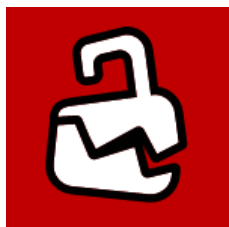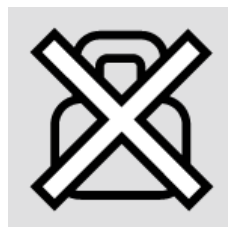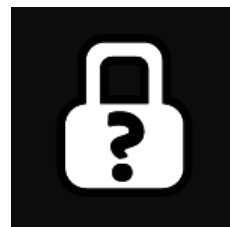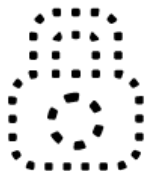
SAFE	**EUCLID**	**K█ █R**	**NEUTRALIZED**	**PENDING**

EXPLAINED	**ESOTERIC**

Secondary Class

Not all Secondary Class options are li█ █d here, █ese are only █e options of which Icons have been created. Please █ er to █ e Esoteric Class document to see all Secondary Class options.

NOTE: Under ACS, █aumiel is conside██ a **secondary class** not a Containment Class.

APOLLYON	**ARCHON**	**█R█ NOS**	**DECOMMISSIONED**	**HIEMAL**

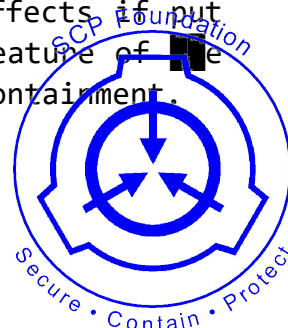|			
TIAMAT	**TICONDEROGA**	**█A█ █EL**	**UNCONTAINED**

Apollyon

Apollyon-class SC█ █ are anomalies █a█ █annot be contained, are expected to breac████████ent imminently, or some█ her similar s█ nario. Such anomalies are █████████ssociated wi█ world-endin█ █hreats or a K-Class S█ nario of some kind ████████ e a massive effort from t██ Foundation to deal wi██.

Archon

Archon-class SC██ are anomalies █at co██ █eoretically be contained but are best left uncontained for some reason. █ █hon SC██ may be a part of consensus reality █at is difficult to fully cont██ or may have adverse effects if put into containment. █ese SC█ are not unc██ainable—█e defining feature of █ e class is █at █ e Foundation chooses to n██put █e anomaly into contai█ment.

Cernunnos
Item can be functionally contained, but the Foundation cannot achieve this for logistical and/or ethical reasons.

Decommissioned
Item has been intentionally destroyed or deanomalized by the Foundation.

Hiemal
Item is a system of two or more distinct but related anomalies that keep each other under control.

Tiamat
Item poses an immediate threat to humanity, but can be "contained" via open warfare or other Veil-breaking operations.

Ticonderoga
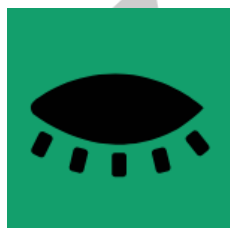Item cannot be contained but does not need to be contained.

Thaumiel
Thaumiel-class SCPs are anomalies that the Foundation specifically uses to contain other SCPs. Even the mere existence of Thaumiel-class objects is classified at the highest levels of the Foundation and their locations, functions, and current status are known to few Foundation personnel outside of the O5 Council.
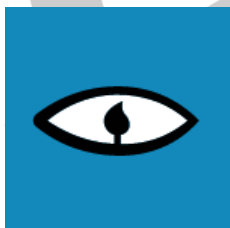
Uncontained
Item is not contained for unspecified reasons.
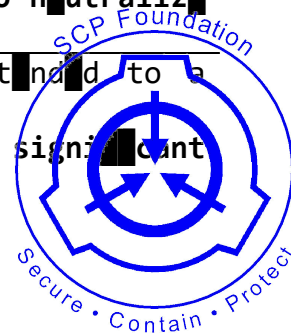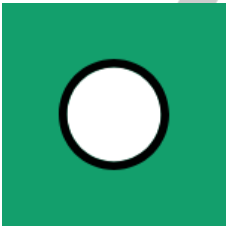
Disruption Class Options[2]

DARK	VLAM	KENEQ	KHI	AMIDA

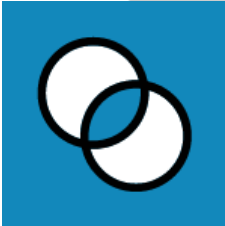|	
Dark[3]	The known or potential disruption is **so low as to not be a concern.** The object is essentially inert when not interacted with and may **potentially only affect a single individual.** The Foundation would find it **trivial to clean up after it.**
Vlam[4]	The known or potential disruption would be **localized to a small handful of people.** The anomalous effects certainly do **affect multiple people, but it would not extend very far.** The Foundation would find it **relatively simple to neutralize its effects.**
Keneq[5]	The known or potential disruption would be **extended to a number of people roughly defined as a city.** The anomalous effects could spread with **fairly significant speed, fast enough as to cause concern.**

(yellow)	The Foundation would find it **moderately difficult to neutralize its effects**.
Ekhi[6] (orange)	The known disruption would █████████████████████ the size of a large metropolitan area to an entire country. The potential disruption could extend to the entire known world. The spread would be **swift and difficult to manage**. The Foundation would find it **quite difficult to neutralize its effects**.
█**mid**█[7] (crimson)	█████ Disruption Class should be reserved for special circumstances when the Foundation is essentially "declaring war" on an anomaly. When an anomaly poses such a dire threat to the status quo and the Foundation's veil that there is no other option than to use all possible options in order to Neutralize it. The effects of an amid anomaly would extend to the entire known world and possibly the entire universe.

Risk Class Options

NOTICE	CAUTION	WARNING	DANGER	CRITICAL

Notice (green)	The anomalous effects of the object are **nearly non-existent to mild**. An individual within close proximity of the object would **not feel anything** as a result of the object. It poses **no danger** to any individual nearby.
Caution (blue)	The anomalous effects of the object are **mild to moderate**. An individual within close ████████ of the object **may feel mild effects** from the anomalous object. It poses **mild danger** to any individual nearby.
Warning (yellow)	The anomalous effects of the object are **moderate to significant**. An individual within close proximity of the object **will feel mild effects** or **may feel major effects** from the anomalous object. It poses **moderate danger** to any individual nearby.
Danger (orange)	The anomalous effects of the object are **significant to extreme**. An individual within close proximity of the object **will feel major effects** or **may feel extreme effects** from the anomalous object. It poses **significant danger** to any individual nearby.
Critical (crimson)	████ Risk Class should only be chosen when the object's effects **will be near instant and/or extremely severe**. It does not, necessarily, need to cause actual death, but death is incredibly likely and expected. Any individual nearby

Footnotes

1. Ridiculous name? Yes, maybe. However, it is ██e ████████████████████ Clearan██ Level used for NATO as well.
2. Disruption Class names are all based on degrees of light or illumination. ██e higher ██e disruption class, ██e ████████████████ spreads from ██e sour██.
3. Chosen as an easily understood baseline in ██e same vein as "Safe."
4. Dutch for Flame, generally a candle flame.
5. Pacific Gulf Yupik for Fire, generally a camp fire, ██ough it can be a bit larger.
6. Basque for Sun.
7. Has a ple██ora of meanings but, in █████████, it is referring to ██e Buddha of Ete██al Light.