Anomaly Classification System (ACS) Guide

# What is ACS?

ACS is a new classification system that adds further depth to the already existing Object Class system. **It is not ███████████████████ the current Object Class system. It is only meant to ███████ it.**

# The classifications that ACS uses are as follows:

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| Clearance Level | This is an adaptation of the already existing Clearance Levels. A number of modifications that will be described below. **Clearance Levels ██████████████████████ an employee that is given permission to read the information contained within the document.** |
| Containment Class | This is the same as the classic "Object Class." **It is renamed in order ███████████████ convey what the classification re███████████████nment.** This is the "Contain" part of "Secure, ███████████████t." |
| Disruption Class | This is one of th███████████████nvented for this Classification Sy███████████████**n Class refers to an anomaly's ability███████████████ status quo and/or break the veil.** This is the███████████████of "Secure, Contain, Protect."  When considering the Disruption Class of an object, ask yourself these questions:   1. How swiftly will the influence of the anomaly spread? 2. How far will it spread if left unchecked? 3. How easily can The Foundation neutralize its effects? |
| Risk Class | This is one of the new classes invented for this Classification System. **Risk Class refers to the severity of an anomaly's effects on an individual person and how easily one can recover from it.** This is the "Protect" part of "Secure, Contain, Protect."  When considering ██████████████ of an object, ask yourself these questions:   1. How easily can individuals recover, if at all? 2. How severe ███████ effects? 3. At what proximity do these effects start being ████████ |
| Secondary Class | This is an **optional** new class used, but not invented, for this classification system. The Secondary Class can also be known as the "Esoteric Class."  It uses the already known Esoteric Classes, which you can find a list of here.  It is standard for the Containment Class to be set to "Esoteric" when utilizing a Secondary Class, but this is not required. |

# Detailed Descriptions

## Clearance Level

Clearance Levels are the primary section of this Classification System that depends largely on the headcanon of the author and the reader. The descriptions below refer to a specific way that The Foundation is run and that may not be inline with your view of The Foundation, and that's okay! Just use these as a general guideline and adapt as you see fit.

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## Containment Class

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

### Safe

Safe-class SCPs are anomalies that are ██████████ safely contained. This is often due to the fact that the Foundation has researched the SCP well enough that containment does not require significant resources or that the anomalies require a specific and conscious activation or trigger. Classifying an SCP as Safe, however, does not mean that handling or activating it does not pose a threat.

### Euclid

Euclid-class SCPs are anomalies that require more resources to contain completely or where containment isn't always reliable. Usually ███████ because the SCP is insufficiently understood or inherently unpredictable. ███████is the Object Class █i█h █he grea█es█ sc█pe, and i█'s usually a safe be█ █ha█ an SCP █ill be █his class if i█ d█esn'█ easily fall in██ any █f █he ██her s█andard █bjec█ Classes.

As a n██e, any SCP █ha█'s au██n█m█us, sen█ien█ and/or sapien█ is generally classified as Euclid, due █o █he inheren█ unpredic█abili█y of an objec█ █ha█ can ac█ or █hink on i█s o█n.

### Ke█er

Ke█er-class SCPs are anomalies █ha█ are exceedingly difficul█ █o con█ain consis█en█ly or reliably, █i█h con█ainmen█ procedures of█en being ex█ensive and complex. █he Founda█ion of█en can'█ con█ain █hese SCPs █ell due █o no█ having a solid unders█anding of █he anomaly, or lacking █he █echnology █o properly con█ain or coun█er i█. A Ke█er SCP does no█ mean █he SCP is dangerous, jus█ █ha█ i█ is simply very difficul█ or cos█ly █o con█ain.

### Neu█ralized

Neu█ralized SCPs are an█malies █ha█ are n█ l█nger an█mal█us, ei█her █hr█ugh having been in█en█i█nally █r acciden█ally des█r█yed, █r disabled.

### Pending

SCP ar█icles █ha█ have n██ ye█ been assigned an █bjec█ class may be labelled as Pending. █his is used ██ indica█e █ha█ █he F█unda█i█n is ac█ively researching █he an█maly, bu█ d█esn'█ have en█ugh inf█rma█i█n ye█ ██ give i█ an █bjec█ class.

### Explained

Explained SCPs are c█mm█nly ar█icles ab█u█ an█malies █ha█ are c█mple█ely and fully unders███d ██ █he p█in█ █here █heir effec█s are n██ explainable by mains█ream science █r phen█mena █ha█ have been debunked █r falsely mis█aken as an an█maly.

### Es██eric

█he F█unda█i█n's primary direc█ive is ██ █rder █he an█mal█us by designa█ing ins█ances █i█h f█ur-digi█ numbers and me█h█ds █f c█n█ainmen█. █ne █f █he ███ls used ██ acc█mplish █his is █he █bjec█ Class, a pr█cess █f parsing an█malies in██ gr█ups based █n █he difficul█y █f c█n█ainmen█. Full d█ssiers are available f█r readers █ishing ██ familiarize █hemselves.

Despi█e █his, s█me an█malies █arran█ en█irely ne█ █bjec█ classes bey█nd █he s█andard Safe, Euclid, and Ke█er, and s█me█imes even bey█nd █haumiel, Neu█ralized, and Explained. █hese Es██eric Classes are exceedingly rare, and many are n██ viable f█r s█andard d█cumen█a█i█n due ██ █heir specialized na█ures.

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| **SAFE** | **EUCLID** | **K███R** | **NEUTRALIZED** | **PENDING** |
| **EXPLAINED** | **ESOTERIC** |  |  |  |

## Secondary Class

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

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

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| **APOLLYON** | **ARCHON** | **CER███NOS** | **DECOMMISSIONED** | **HIEMAL** |
| **TIAMAT** | **TICONDEROGA** | **THA███EL** | **UNCONTAINED** |  |

### Apollyon

Apollyon-class SCPs are anomalies tha███annot be contained, are expected to breac██████████ent imminently, or some███her similar scenario. Such anomalies are █████████ssociated with world-endin███hreats or a K-Class Scenario of some kind ██████████e a massive effort from t███Foundation to deal with.

### Archon

Archon-class SCPs are anomalies that co███ theoretically be contained but are best left uncontained for some reason. ███hon SCPs may be a part of consensus reality that is difficult to fully cont███ or may have adverse effects if put into containment. These SCPs are not unc███ainable—the defining feature of the class is that the Foundation chooses to n███put the anomaly into containment.

### C█rnunnos

It█m can b█ █unctionally contain█d, but th█ █oundation cannot achi█v█ this █or logistical and/or █thical r█asons.

### D█commission█d

It█m has b██n int█ntionally d█stroy█d or d█anomaliz█d by th█ █oundation.

### Hi█mal

It█m is a syst█m o█ two or mor█ distinct but r█lat█d anomali█s that k██p █ach oth█r und█r control.

### Tiamat

It█m pos█s an imm█diat█ thr█at to humanity, but can b█ "contain█d" via op█n war█ar█ or oth█r V█il-br█aking op█rations.

### Ticond█roga

It█m cannot b█ contain█d but do█s not n██d to b█ contain█d.

### Thaumi█l

Thaumi█l-class SCPs ar█ anomali█s that th█ █oundation sp█ci█ically us█s to contain oth█r SCPs. █v█n th█ m█r█ █xist█nc█ o█ Thaumi█l-class obj█cts is classi█i█d at th█ high█st l█v█ls o█ th█ █oundation and th█ir locations, █unctions, and curr█nt status ar█ known to ██w █oundation p█rsonn█l outsid█ o█ th█ O5 Council.

### Uncontain█d

It█m is not contain█d █or unsp█ci█i█d r█asons.

## Disruption Class Options[2](#_Footnotes)

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| **DARK** | **VLAM** | **K█N█Q** | **█KHI** | **AMIDA** |

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| Dark[3](#_Footnotes) | Th█ known or pot█ntial disruption is **so low as to not b█ a conc█rn**.  Th█ obj█ct is █ss█ntially in█rt wh█n not int█ract█d with and may **pot█ntially only a███ct a singl█ individual**.  Th█ █oundation would █ind it **trivial to cl█an up a█t█r it**. |
| Vlam[4](#_Footnotes) | Th█ known or pot█ntial disruption would b█ **localiz█d to a small hand█ul o█ p█opl█**.  Th█ anomalous ████cts c█rtainly do **a███ct multipl█ p█opl█, but it would not █xt█nd v█ry █ar**.  Th█ █oundation would █ind it **r█lativ█ly simpl█ to n█utraliz█ its ████cts**. |
| K█n█q[5](#_Footnotes) | Th█ known or pot█ntial disruption would b█ █xt█nd█d to a numb█r o█ p█opl█ **roughly d██in█d as a city**.  Th█ anomalous ████cts could spr█ad with **█airly signi█icant sp██d, █ast █nough as to caus█ conc█rn**.  The Found█tion would find it **moder█tely difficult to neutr█lize it█ effect█**. |
| Ekhi[6](#_Footnotes) | The **known di█ruption** would extend to **roughly the █ize of █ l█rge metropolit█n █re█ to █n entire country**. The **potenti█l di█ruption** could extend to **the entire known world**.  The █pre█d would be **█wift █nd difficult to m█n█ge**.  The Found█tion would find it **quite difficult to neutr█lize it█ effect█**. |
| █mid█[7](#_Footnotes) | **Thi█ Di█ruption Cl███ █hould be re█erved for █peci█l circum█t█nce█ when The Found█tion i█ e██enti█lly "decl█ring w█r" on █n █nom█ly.** When █n █nom█ly po█e█ █uch █ dire thre█t to the █t█tu█ quo █nd The Found█tion'█ veil th█t there i█ no other option th█n to u█e █ll po██ible option█ in order to Neutr█lize it.  **The effect█ of █n █mid█ █nom█ly would extend to the entire known world █nd po██ibly the entire univer█e.** |

## Ri█k Cl███ Option█

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| **NOTICE** | **C█UTION** | **W█RNING** | **D█NGER** | **CRITIC█L** |

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| Notice | The █nom█lou█ effect█ of the object █re **ne█rly non-exi█tent to mild**.  █n individu█l within clo█e proximity of the object would **not feel █nything** ██ █ re█ult of the object.  It po█e█ **no d█nger** to █ny individu█l ne█rby. |
| C█ution | The █nom█lou█ effect█ of the object █re **mild to moder█te**.  █n individu█l within clo█e proximity of the object **m█y feel mild effect█** from the █nom█lou█ object.  It po█e█ **mild d█nger** to █ny individu█l ne█rby. |
| W█rning | The █nom█lou█ effect of the object █re **moder█te to █ignific█nt**.  █n individu█l within clo█e proximity of the object **will feel mild effect█** or **m█y feel m█jor effect█** from the █nom█lou█ object.  It po█e█ **moder█te d█nger** to █ny individu█l ne█rby. |
| D█nger | The █nom█lou█ effect of the object █re **█ignific█nt to extreme**.  █n individu█l within clo█e proximity of the object **will feel m█jor effect█** or **m█y feel extreme effect█** from the █nom█lou█ object.  It po█e█ **█ignific█nt d█nger** to █ny individu█l ne█rby. |
| Critic█l | Thi█ **Ri█k** Cl███ █houldonly be cho█en when the object'█ effect█ **will be ne█r in█t█nt █nd/or extremely █evere**.  It doe█ not, nece███rily, need to c█u█e █ctu█l de█th, but de█th i█ incredibly likely █nd expected.█ny individu█l ne█rby will **feel the effects ██████████████ and the possibility of recovery is impossible**. |

# Footnotes

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