Equipment D6 / Aeromagnifier



Name: Aeromagnifier
Type: Magnifier
Locations: Mos Espa, Tatooine, Rambler's Reach Outpost, Koboh
Scale: Character
Cost: 1,000
Availability: 1
Game Notes: Provides good lighting and maginification, which gives a +1D bonus to fine work.

Description: An aeromagnifier was a type of illuminated magnifier that hung from a repulsor hood. The enslaved human Shmi Skywalker was gifted an aeromagnifier by the junk dealer Watto. She used it while cleaning computer memory devices in her Mos Espa home on the planet Tatooine. The magnifier was on Skywalker's workstation when she bid farewell to her son, Anakin Skywalker, as he was leaving Tatooine in 32 BBY. In 9 BBY, aeromagnifiers hung in both Dendra's Antiquities and Pyloon's Saloon in Rambler's Reach Outpost on the planet Koboh.

Description

An aeromagnifier was a repulsor-powered, floating magnifier that consisted of a transparent magnifier disc surrounded by yellow illuminator rings hanging from a silver dome-shaped repulsor hood. The device produced a soothing thrum when in use.

History

By 32 BBY, the human Shmi Skywalker, who was enslaved by the junk dealer Watto, had been given an aeromagnifier in a rare show of kindness by Watto as recognition for all her hard work. She kept the tool on the workstation in her home in Slave Quarters Row in the city of Mos Espa on the planet Tatooine.

Skywalker used the aeromagnifier at the workstation to work long hours cleaning computer memory devices in order to earn extra wupiupi. Although the Skywalker home was poorly lit at night, the magnifier and light from the illuminator rings meant she could continue working on the devices long after Tatooine's twin suns set and her eyes had become fatigued. Shmi's aeromagnifier was floating above the workstation when her son, Anakin Skywalker, brought a group of off-worlders home during a sandstorm in 32 BBY. It was still above the station later when Anakin bid farewell to Shmi before leaving Tatooine.

A device similar in appearance to an aeromagnifier was stood on a desk in the abandoned home of Jedi Master Eno Cordova on the planet Bogano when the Jedi Cal Kestis visited it in 14 BBY. The

device had a lens and hood similar to an aeromagnifier, but these were mounted on a stand over a parts tray rather than floating. In 9 BBY, the merchant Doma Dendra had a pair of aeromagnifiers hanging from a grill above the counter in her shop, Dendra's Antiquities, in Rambler's Reach Outpost on the planet Koboh. In the same outpost, an aeromagnifier hung above a workbench in the basement of Pyloon's Saloon which was used by Kestis while he was a guest of the saloon's owner, Greez Dritus. At some point after 35 ABY, an entry on Shmi's aeromagnifier was included as one of a hundred in a book detailing objects from throughout galactic history.

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