Vehicles D6 / Aratech Repulsor Company 74-



Craft: Aratech Repulsor Company 74-Z Speeder Bike
Type: Speeder bike
Scale: Speeder
Length: 3 meters
Skill: Repulsorlift operation: speeder bike
Crew: 1
Passengers: 1
Cargo Capacity: 3 kilograms
Consumables: 1 day
Cover: 1/4
Altitude Range: Ground level-25 meters
Cost: 8,000 credits (new) / 1,800 credits to 3,000 credits
Maneuverability: 3D+2
Move: 175; 500 kmh
Body Strength: 2D
Customization Points: 2
Weapons:
- Ax-20 Blaster Cannon
  - Fire Arc: Front
  - Skill: Vehicle blasters
  - Fire Control: 2D
  - Range: 3-50/100/200
  - Damage: 3D

Equipped With:
- Comlink Jammer

Description: The 74-Z speeder bike, sometimes referred to as the Imperial speeder bike due to its use by scout stormtroopers of the Galactic Empire, was a speeder bike manufactured by Aratech Repulsor Company used for reconnaissance purposes, as well as rapid transportation in combat zones.

Characteristics
They were capable of reaching speeds up to and beyond five hundred kilometers per hour, and had a flight ceiling of twenty-five meters. 74-Zs were the military variant of the civilian 74-Y. They were controlled by handlebars located towards the front of the vehicle, and foot pedals slung underneath adjusted speed and altitude.

The highly maneuverable vehicles were equipped with sensor and communications devices located between the handlebars, including a comlink and a comlink-jamming device. The speeder was equipped with terrain-following sensors that linked up with the HUD in the driver's helmet. They were armed with a forward rotating blaster cannon for combat.

They were also equipped with a very powerful boost that could propel them over vast distances in a shorter amount of time. In addition, the 74-Z was stripped down to just its fundamental

components, namely the engine and steering vane, in order to increase its overall speed, and as such a single, scaled-down, forward-facing blaster cannon was fixed on the undercarriage. Rebel ace pilot Wedge Antilles admitted that he was uncomfortable piloting them due to being essentially an engine and a steering vane.

History
Used by the Galactic Republic during the Clone Wars along with the younger BARC speeders, these speeder bikes saw action on many worlds. The bike was first used during the Battle of Geonosis. The 74-Z was capable of being deployed from LAAT/i gunships. On the planet Saleucami, Jedi Master Stass Allie was killed by her own troops while riding a 74-Z bike. It was also used by the Confederacy of Independent Systems.

During the Galactic Civil War, both the Galactic Empire and the Alliance to Restore the Republic utilized these speeder bikes, though Aratech primarily supplied the vehicles to Imperial forces. On the forest moon of Endor, Imperial scout troopers engaged in a vicious chase with Luke Skywalker and Leia Organa after the Rebels commandeered speeder bikes to pursue their foes. 74-Zs subsequently saw use in the battle that followed.

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