

Starfleet Operations Manual

Main Control Console X84

This manual describes how to use the Main Control console during your Operations Officer Qualifying exams.

The Main Control console is your “home station” during this exam. From here you can access the other bridge stations: Phaser, Navigation, Transporter, and Jammer. The Main Control will provide you with two important pieces of information: 1) feedback about your performance on the last task and 2) the next task that you must complete.

Figure 1 shows the main control console.

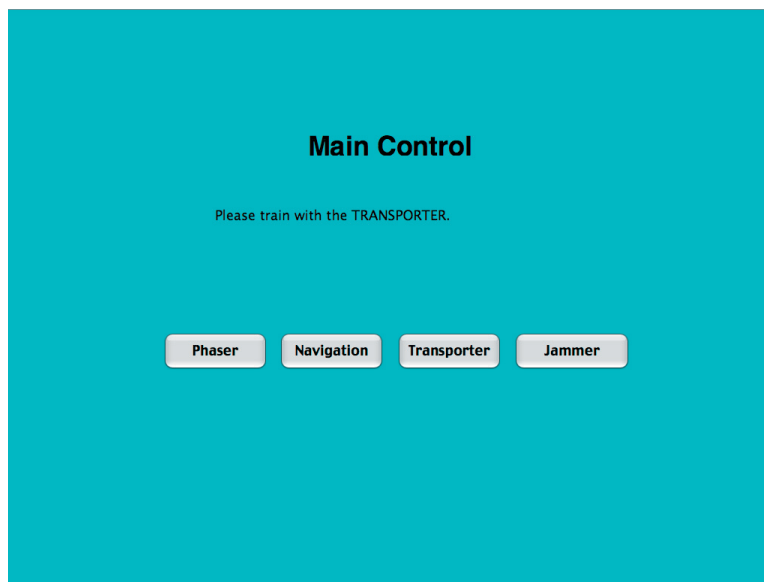


Figure 1. Main Control console

The bridge stations are identified as follows in the Main Control console:

1. Phaser
2. Navigation
3. Transporter
4. Jammer

There is one basic step to operate the Main Control console:

1. Click on the button corresponding to the task identified in the feedback message, as shown in Figure 2 (“Your next task is the Navigation”).

Qualifying will take part in two phases spaced one week apart. Phase I will consist of training and Phase II will be testing.



Phase I. Training

Training will commence on your first day of qualification. A manual will be provided for each of the bridge tasks (Phaser, Navigation, Transporter, and Jammer). You will have four trials on which to train at each station. The manual may be used on the first trial only.

Instructions:

1. Read the entire manual for the indicated bridge station.
2. Click on the button for that station in Main Control to begin the first training trial. **YOU MUST READ THE ENTIRE MANUAL BEFORE LEAVING MAIN CONTROL.** You may use the manual as an aid to complete this trial.
3. If you successfully complete the trial, you will be prompted to return your manual to the proctor. Please raise your hand to signal him/her.
4. After returning your manual to the proctor, complete the remaining three practice trials for that bridge station.
5. According to the prompt at Main Control, begin training on the next bridge station.



Phase 2. Testing

You will undergo testing on day 2 of your qualification. Scores will be based your accuracy and time on each task. As your performance on these tasks will influence your standing for Operations Officer School candidacy, please note your performance on each task, as reported in the Main Control console, and seek to improve it on each subsequent trial.

Scores from Phase 2 will be used in contention for prizes. The top three scorers on the candidacy exams, judged by the number of points scored, will receive cash bonuses (refer to Prize and Point scale).

You will also be tested on your ability to respond to demands in the environment not directly related to your performance at each station. During the testing phase of the qualifying exam, the hectic environment of the bridge will be simulated. It is crucial for any officer to be able to attend to the task at hand while simultaneously keeping an eye and ear out for critical information “in the background.”

Hence, you will hear individual letters broadcast through your headphones. At random intervals, you will be prompted to input the last three letters that were broadcast. Your accuracy in recalling this information will be tracked and may influence your standing for Operations Officer School candidacy. It is necessary to respond to these prompts to continue the task at hand. They are heavily weighted in terms of point value.

Please commence with your qualification exam when you have finished reading this manual.

Good luck, cadet!

