

Intelligence Officers

There are three kinds of basic intel officers.

- 1-research and data mining
- 2-infiltration to get data
- 3-presentation and paperwork

James Bond is not considered intel because he is part of the assassination branch or MI6.

1-research and data mining

The primary purpose of intel is to gather information. Most of the time, it is done by doing research and looking through data. They often have their own sources of intel and classified information that is only for those with the proper clearance or on a "need to know" basis.

Most of your time in intel will involve looking for information to help members of the crew.

2-infiltration

Intel officers go undercover to gather information. They're good at disguise, at getting into computers and locked rooms. They're good at getting out of tight spots. Yes, this may involve a fight, but they generally try to avoid that because they don't want to be noticed.

3-Presentation and paperwork.

Before beginning a new mission, an intel officer can prepare a presentation for the captain and crew to let them know what they'll be getting into for the next mission. This is a good way for a CO to get intel involved in the mission. Give them some basic information and let them present it to the crew at a briefing.

They also do a lot of paperwork, because every time you use intel or let someone see your database, there's paperwork. You have not only the CO, but you have Starfleet Intelligence to report to. While the Captain has a high level of clearance and can know most of what you know, there may be a time when you have to handle information that is not privy to anyone else. Do this only with the approval of the CO.

Vanya and her crypt

Darrell's intel officer who took his wife with him to get intel at parties and other functions. Sometimes, you can combine intel with diplomacy.

Intel officers are observant, cautious, always aware of their surroundings.

They can be good at reading facial and body language.

They will carry a weapon, but they will not use it much.

Then can do covert ops as part of a mission, go in somewhere in disguise to get information on something or someone.

This is not Mission: Impossible or James Bond. This is usually a desk job.

However, if you play it right, and if your CO will work with you, you can be the person to pass on information on the mission, find pieces that other people need, and help out in a crisis.

Think outside the box and see what you can do with the character and the department that isn't fighting and explosives. Leave that to the Marines.

Encryption

Intel ships/

Assets that a CIO has and uses.