



# ACCELERATED SHAKEDOWN PROGRAM

## SUMMARY:

Some groups, whether they are new groups comprised of long-time members who have “been there and done that”, or groups of members who have been together already for a while (e.g., either an independent club seeking to become a STARFLEET chapter or a former chapter seeking to return to the organization after a period away), may need a shorter period of time to become acclimated to functioning as a current STARFLEET chapter than would a newly-forming group composed of members new to running a club. The Accelerated Shakedown Program (ASP) is designed to support this particular category of group.

The ASP allows for a shortened Shakedown Cruise in cases where groups already have in place elements of their organization that a group starting from scratch would develop during the period of their shakedown. A series of such elements has been developed by ShOC, and they are listed below. If a prospective STARFLEET chapter feels that they may be eligible for the ASP, they should contact the Chief of Shakedown Operations and make their request. They should be prepared to submit supporting documentation/evidence to support any request for a time-reduction in their Shakedown Cruise.

## PROGRAM PARAMETERS:

1] The **minimum** shakedown period will be 5 months.

2] Reductions in the shakedown period will be defined by aspects of the Shakedown Program already completed by a new or reforming group, or characteristics which a group may already possess that the Program is designed to help develop.

3] The following table includes the currently-established time-reductions, as derived from the current START Manual (2007). All relevant characteristics or achievements may be applied to the reduction until the minimum shakedown cruise period is reached. (Note: This list is not necessarily exhaustive, and other possibilities for eligible aspects/characteristics may exist. ShOC is open to suggestions, of course.)

4] A group applying to enter the ASP shall submit a list of all applicable characteristics/achievements, and documentation of same, to the Chief of Shakedown Operations. These will be reviewed, and a determination of time-reduction made.

## SHAKEDOWN PERIOD REDUCTION TIMES:

Aspect/Characteristic	Time Reduction
Returning STARFLEET Chapter from 6+ years ago	2 weeks
Returning STARFLEET Chapter from 1-5 years ago	1 month
Group already has 10+ persons	1 month
CO or XO already have OCC	1 week
CO and XO both already have OCC	2 weeks
CO and/or XO have prior service (at least one year) as a CO or XO of an operational chapter of STARFLEET	2 weeks
Group has organizational structure already in place (Provide verifying documentation)	2 weeks



Group already has a newsletter which has been active for 6-12 months. (Provide sample issues)	1 week
Group already has a newsletter which has been active for more than 12 months. (Provide sample issues)	2 weeks
Group already has a website which has been active for 6-12 months. (Provide verification)	1 week
Group already has a website which has been active for more than 12 months. (Provide verification)	2 weeks
Group already has a constitution and/or bylaws.	2 weeks
Group already has a rank/promotion system.	1 week
Group CO and/or XO are 'FLEET veterans of more than 3 years.	1 week
Group has 5+ members who are 'FLEET veterans of more than 3 years.	2 weeks
Group has 10+ members who are 'FLEET veterans of more than 3 years.	1 month
Group has membership and/or recruiting materials (Provide samples)	2 weeks
Group has been functioning together either independently or on a semi-autonomous basis for at least 1 year (Provide verification)	2 weeks