

Entertainment Weekly has revealed some new details about the wheel shaped space station we've seen a squadron of X-Wings attacking in the trailers and TV spots for Rogue One: A Star Wars Story. Apparently, it's a Shield Gate which hovers above Scarif, a tropical planet which the Empire has covered with an impenetrable force field to protect what the site calls a remote weapons development facility. "You can see the blue sheen surrounding the entire planet," Rogue One co-producer John Swartz reveals. "The shield gate is the security. As Imperial ships and cargo comes through, it punches a hole in the shield so they can pass. The gate officer gives clearances as they give out their call signs." Confirming that it's the home of Orson Krennic, the head of the Empire's special weapons division, he adds: "It's part of their military industrial complex. It's not necessarily where the Death Star was constructed, but a lot of military research goes on there. That's

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