

Ke-T8-W3100 Aether Beam

The Ke-T8-W3100 was developed for use on the [Ke-T8 "Kuma" Multi-role Shuttle](#) and became available in [YE 31](#).

About

This is the primary weapon for the *Kuma* and during development the designers added a few enhancements. The enhancements include a rotating mount allowing the weapon to fire at up to 30° degrees to either side of the nose of the shuttle. They also incorporated an additional mode of fire.

History

During the development work it was decided to upgrade this weapon system from the basic type of [Aether](#) beam used on the [Ke-T4 "Fox" Combat Aeroshuttle](#).

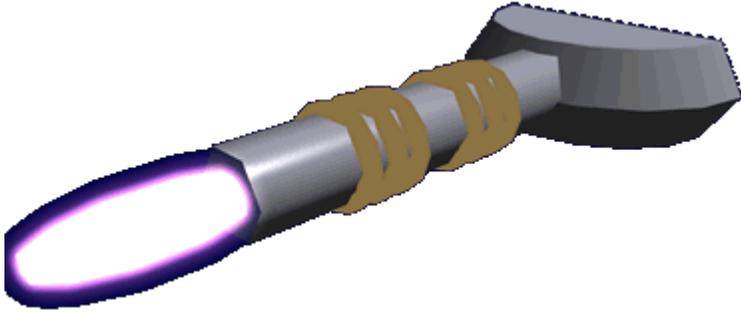
Appearance

The [Aether](#) Beam weapon is mounted so that it can track to left or right. Additional focusing coils provide the capability of a second mode of fire.

On this bottom view of the *Kuma* you can clearly see the Ke-T8-W3100.



Isolated image of the Ke-T8-W3100



General

Class: Ke-T8-W3100 Type: Weapon System Designers: [Ketsurui Fleet Yards](#) Manufacturer: [Ketsurui Fleet Yards](#), [Scientific Studies Service](#) Production: Mass Production

Beam Mode

This is the default mode for the weapon. It operates exactly like the original model on the [T4](#). Purpose: Anti-Starship Damage: Tier 9, Heavy Anti-Mecha Range: 500,000 miles Rate of Fire: Two Five-second bursts every 15 seconds Firing Arc: Weapon can be aimed at up to 60 degrees to left and right and 15 degrees up and down Payload Effectively Unlimited.

Spread Mode

This mode is allows for defensive fire against incoming missiles, and for attacking numbers of armor.

- Purpose: Anti-Missile/Anti-Armor
- Damage: Tier 7 Light Anti-Mecha (See: [Damage Rating \(Version 3\)](#))
- Range: 125,000 miles
- Rate of Fire: Two Five-second bursts every 15 seconds.
- Firing Arc: Weapon can be aimed at up to 60 degrees to left and right and 15 degrees up and down
- Payload Effectively Unlimited.

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