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**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.**

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The following list shows the order in which Orders, Decorations and Medals should be worn, and is to be substituted for the list dated 12th July, 1949. It in no way affects the precedence conferred by the Statutes of certain Orders upon the Members thereof.

**VICTORIA CROSS.**

**GEORGE CROSS.**

**BRITISH ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD, ETC.**

- Order of the Garter.\*
- Order of the Thistle.\*
- Order of St. Patrick.\*
- Order of the Bath.
- Order of Merit† (immediately after Knights Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath).
- Order of the Star of India.
- Order of St. Michael and St. George.
- Order of the Indian Empire.
- Order of the Crown of India.‡
- Royal Victorian Order (Classes I, II and III).
- Order of the British Empire (Classes I, II and III).
- Order of the Companions of Honour† (immediately after Knights and Dames Grand Cross of the Order of the British Empire).
- Distinguished Service Order.
- Royal Victorian Order (Class IV).
- Order of the British Empire (Class IV).
- Imperial Service Order.
- Royal Victorian Order (Class V).
- Order of the British Empire (Class V).

NOTE.—The above applies to those Orders of similar grades. When the miniature or riband of a higher

\* These Orders are not worn in miniature and the ribands of the Orders are not worn with Undress Uniform.

† These Orders are not worn in miniature, but are worn round the neck on all occasions except with Service Dress and certain Orders of Undress Uniform.

‡ This Order is not worn in miniature.

grade of a junior Order is worn with that of a lower grade of a senior Order, the higher grade miniature or riband should come first, e.g., the miniature or riband of a K.C.I.E. will come before a C.B., and a G.C.M.G. before a K.C.B. Not more than four Stars of Orders and not more than three neck Badges may be worn at any one time in Full Dress Uniform. The ribands of Orders, when the riband alone is worn, will be of the width of the ribands of the Membership of the Order. If there is no Membership Class the riband will be of the width of the riband of the Companionship of the Order.

**BARONET'S BADGE.** (The Badge is worn suspended round the neck by the riband in the same manner as the neck badge of an Order and takes precedence immediately after the Badge of the Order of Merit. It is not worn in miniature and the riband is not worn with Undress Uniform.)

**KNIGHTS BACHELOR'S BADGE.** (The Badge is worn after the Star of a Knight Commander of the Order of the British Empire. It is not worn in miniature and is not worn with Undress Uniform.)

Indian Order of Merit (Military).§

**DECORATIONS.**

- Royal Red Cross (Class I).
- Distinguished Service Cross.
- Military Cross.
- Distinguished Flying Cross.
- Air Force Cross.
- Royal Red Cross (Class II).

Order of British India.

Kaisar-i-Hind Medal.

Order of St. John.

Albert Medal.

§ The Indian Order of Merit (Military and Civil) is distinct from the Order of Merit instituted in 1902.

**MEDALS FOR GALLANTRY AND DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT.**

Union of South Africa King's Medal for Bravery, in Gold.  
Distinguished Conduct Medal.  
Conspicuous Gallantry Medal.  
George Medal.  
King's Police and Fire Services Medal, for Gallantry.  
Edward Medal.  
Royal West African Frontier Force Distinguished Conduct Medal.  
King's African Rifles Distinguished Conduct Medal.  
Indian Distinguished Service Medal.  
Union of South Africa King's Medal for Bravery, in Silver.  
Distinguished Service Medal.  
Military Medal.  
Distinguished Flying Medal.  
Air Force Medal.  
Constabulary Medal (Ireland).  
Medal for Saving Life at Sea.\*  
Indian Order of Merit (Civil).†  
Indian Police Medal for Gallantry.  
Ceylon Police Medal for Gallantry.  
Colonial Police Medal for Gallantry.

British Empire Medal.‡

Canada Medal.

King's Police and Fire Services Medal for Distinguished Service.

**WAR MEDALS** (in order of date of campaign for which awarded).§

**POLAR MEDALS** (in order of date).

Royal Victorian Medal (Gold, Silver and Bronze).

Imperial Service Medal.

**POLICE MEDALS FOR VALUABLE SERVICES.**

Indian Police Medal for Meritorious Service.  
Ceylon Police Medal for Merit.  
Colonial Police Medal for Meritorious Service.

\* The official Medal awarded previously on the recommendation of the Board of Trade, Minister of Shipping or Minister of War Transport and now on the recommendation of the Minister of Transport.

† The Indian Order of Merit (Military and Civil) is distinct from the Order of Merit instituted in 1902.

‡ Formerly the Medal of the Order of the British Empire for Meritorious Service; also includes the Medal of the Order awarded before 29th December, 1922.

§ Campaign Stars and Medals awarded for service during the First World War, 1914-1919, should be worn in the following Order:—1914 Star, 1914-1915 Star, British War Medal, Mercantile Marine War Medal, Victory Medal, Territorial Force War Medal, India General Service Medal (1908) (for operations in Afghanistan, 1919). Campaign Stars and Medals awarded for service in the Second World War, 1939-1945, should be worn in the following order:—1939-1945 Star, Atlantic Star, Air Crew Europe Star, Africa Star, Pacific Star, Burma Star, Italy Star, France and Germany Star, Defence Medal, Volunteer Service Medal of Canada, War Medal 1939-1945, Africa Service Medal of the Union of South Africa, India Service Medal, New Zealand War Service Medal, Southern Rhodesia Service Medal, Australia Service Medal.

The order of wearing of the Africa General Service Medal (1902), India General Service Medal (1908), Naval General Service Medal (1915), General Service Medal (Army and Royal Air Force) (1918) and India General Service Medal (1936) will vary, and will depend upon the dates of participation in the relevant campaigns.

**JUBILEE, CORONATION AND DURBAR MEDALS.**

Queen Victoria's Jubilee Medal, 1887 (Gold, Silver and Bronze).

Queen Victoria's Police Jubilee Medal, 1887.

Queen Victoria's Jubilee Medal, 1897 (Gold, Silver and Bronze).

Queen Victoria's Police Jubilee Medal, 1897.

Queen Victoria's Commemoration Medal, 1900 (Ireland).

King Edward VII's Coronation Medal, 1902.

King Edward VII's Police Coronation Medal, 1902.

King Edward VII's Durbar Medal, 1903 (Gold, Silver and Bronze).

King Edward VII's Police Medal, 1903 (Scotland).

King's Visit Commemoration Medal, 1903 (Ireland).

King George V's Coronation Medal, 1911.

King George V's Police Coronation Medal, 1911.

King's Visit Police Commemoration Medal, 1911 (Ireland).

King George V's Durbar Medal, 1911 (Gold, Silver and Bronze).

King George V's Silver Jubilee Medal, 1935.

King George VI's Coronation Medal, 1937.

King George V's Long and Faithful Service Medal.

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**EFFICIENCY AND LONG SERVICE DECORATIONS AND MEDALS.**

Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.

Naval Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.

Medal for Meritorious Service.

Indian Long Service and Good Conduct Medal (for Europeans of Indian Army).

Indian Meritorious Service Medal (for Europeans of Indian Army).

Royal Marine Meritorious Service Medal.

Royal Air Force Meritorious Service Medal.

Royal Air Force Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.

Indian Long Service and Good Conduct Medal (for Indian Army).

Royal West African Frontier Force Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.

King's African Rifles Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.

Indian Meritorious Service Medal (for Indian Army).

Police Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.

African Police Medal for Meritorious Service.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police Long Service Medal.

Ceylon Police and Fire Services Long Service Medal.

Colonial Police and Fire Brigades' Long Service Medal.

Volunteer Officers' Decoration.

Volunteer Long Service Medal.

Volunteer Officers' Decoration (for India and the Colonies).

Volunteer Long Service Medal (for India and the Colonies).

Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration.

¶ King George V's Durbar Medal, 1911, in Gold, can be worn in the United Kingdom by Ruling Chiefs of India only.

Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal.  
 Medal for Good Shooting (Naval).  
 Militia Long Service Medal.  
 Imperial Yeomanry Long Service Medal.  
 Territorial Decoration.  
 Efficiency Decoration.  
 Territorial Efficiency Medal.  
 Efficiency Medal.  
 Special Reserve Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.  
 Decoration for Officers of the Royal Naval Reserve.  
 Decoration for Officers of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.  
 Royal Naval Reserve Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.  
 Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.  
 Royal Naval Auxiliary Sick Berth Reserve Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.  
 Royal Fleet Reserve Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.  
 Royal Naval Wireless Auxiliary Reserve Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.  
 Air Efficiency Award.  
 King's Medal (for Champion Shots in the Military Forces).  
 Cadet Forces Medal.  
 Rocket Apparatus Volunteer Long Service Medal.\*  
 Special Constabulary Long Service Medal.  
 Canadian Forces Decoration.  
 Royal Observer Corps Medal.

Union of South Africa Commemoration Medal.  
 Indian Independence Medal.  
 Service Medal of the Order of St. John.  
 Badge of the Order of the League of Mercy.  
 Voluntary Medical Service Medal.  
 South African Medal for War Services.

FOREIGN ORDERS (in order of date of award). †

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FOREIGN MEDALS (in order of date of award). †

\* The official Medal for service with a Rocket Life-Saving Apparatus Company or Brigade, awarded previously on the recommendation of the Board of Trade, the Minister of Shipping or Minister of War Transport, and now on the recommendation of the Minister of Transport.

† These awards may be worn only when The King's permission has been given.

NOTE ON MENTIONS IN DESPACHES AND KING'S COMMENDATIONS.

MENTION IN DESPACHES, 1914-1919.

The Emblem of bronze oak leaves denoting a Mention in Despatches during the First World War, 1914-1919, is worn on the riband of the Victory Medal. The award of this Emblem ceased as from 10th August, 1920.

MENTION IN DESPACHES, 1920-1939.

The single bronze oak leaf Emblem, if granted for service in operations between the two World Wars, is worn on the riband of the appropriate General Service Medal. If a General Service Medal has not been granted, the Emblem is worn directly on the coat after any Medal ribands. ‡

MENTION IN DESPACHES, 1939-1945.

The single bronze oak leaf Emblem signifying in the armed Forces and the Merchant navy, either a Mention in Despatches, a King's Commendation for brave conduct, or a King's Commendation for valuable service in the air, if granted for service in the Second World War, 1939-1945, is worn on the riband of the War Medal, 1939-1945. If the War Medal has not been granted, the Emblem is worn directly on the coat, after any Medal ribands. ‡

MENTION IN DESPACHES, 1945, AND SUBSEQUENTLY.

The single bronze oak leaf Emblem, if granted for service in operations after the cessation of hostilities in the Second World War, is worn on the riband of the appropriate General Service Medal. If a General Service Medal has not been granted, the Emblem is worn directly on the coat after any Medal ribands. ‡

The single bronze oak leaf Emblem is also used in the Forces to denote a King's Commendation for brave conduct or a King's Commendation for valuable service in the air granted since the cessation of hostilities in the Second World War.

KING'S COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT 1939-1945, AND SUBSEQUENTLY.

The Emblem of silver laurel leaves granted to civilians, other than those in the Merchant Navy, to denote a King's Commendation for brave conduct during the Second World War, 1939-1945, is worn on the riband of the Defence Medal. When the Defence Medal has not been granted or the award is for services subsequent to the war, the Emblem is worn directly on the coat, after any Medal ribands. ‡

KING'S COMMENDATION FOR VALUABLE SERVICE IN THE AIR, 1939-1945, AND SUBSEQUENTLY.

The oval silver Badge granted to denote a civil King's Commendation for valuable service in the air is worn on the coat immediately below any Medals or Medal ribands, ‡ or in civil air line uniform, on the panel of the left breast pocket.

‡ If there are no Medal ribands, the Emblem is worn in the position in which a single riband would be worn.

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