

IMPERIAL HONOURS SYSTEM

The Earth imperium has a complex system of honours and awards to recognise the contribution of its citizens and armed forces to the peace, security and wellbeing of the Empire.

This recognition comes in the form of a system of medals, permitting the recipient to carry certain letters after their names. These are highly respected by all.

In practice, the awards are made on a regional basis (the time lag for all awards to be administered from Sol System being far too great). Quadrant Governors have delegated powers for some awards, as have planetary Governors.

Note that the 'nobility' titles are not hereditary. Interestingly, though, the sons and daughters of 'nobles' often gain recognition to noble rank in their own right.

Abbrev.	Full Title	Call me..	Regulations for Issue	Notes
CCIO	Count Commander of the Imperium Order	Count/Countess	Emperor only.	
COIO	Count of the Imperium Order	Count/Countess	Emperor only.	
DNUKE	Duke Commander of the Imperial Nuclear Weapons	Duke/Duchess	Senate.	
DISNI	Duke of the Imperial Star Natural Imperitive	Duke/Duchess	Senate.	
LOREE	Lord of the Regal Earth Empire	Lord/Lady	Senate.	Most senators hold this title.
BIMBO	Baron of the Imperial Microsoft Benificent Order	Baron/Baroness	Senate.	Normally awarded to planetary Governors on appointment, if not before.
GKCH	Grand Knight Commander of the Order of the Hyperlinium Particle	Sir/Lady	Senate.	
GCOE	Grand Knight Commander of the Order of St Elvis	Sir/Lady	Senate.	
GCBE	Grand Knight Commander of the Benificent Empire	Sir/Lady	Senate.	
KCBE	Knight Commander of the Benificent Empire	Sir/Lady	Senate.	Particularly fine service to the Empire.
COBE	Commander of the Benificent Empire	No change	Quadrant Governor.	Holders of the OBE that continue in exemplary service to the Empire
OUBE	Officer of the Benificent Empire	No change	Quadrant Governor.	For holders of the MOBE that keep doing well.
MOBE	Master of the Benificent Empire	No change	System Governor.	For actions or services that are in the highest traditions of the Empire, and reflect well on its people and institution.

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ER	Emperor's Recognition	No change	System Governor.	For public acts that reflect well on the Earther Empire and its people.

The awards above are issued to any citizen of the Empire, and may be awarded to serving members of the Armed Forces. These are separate from the military system of medals and awards.

Armed Forces Awards

In addition the military can earn medals:

Marines and Ground Forces

- **Empire Gallantry Medal** - to reward gallantry involving some risk to the person awarded. Can be awarded to civilians or service personnel.
- **Meritorious Conduct Medal** - for exceptional service to the Imperium above and beyond the call of duty.
- **Imperial Service Order** - for award to officers for meritorious and distinguished service in war.
- **Marine Corps Medal** - for an act or acts of valour, courage or devotion to duty whilst in space but not on active operations against an enemy.
- **Distinguished Space Medal** - for an act or acts of valour, courage or devotion to duty whilst on active operations against an enemy.

Legion of Honour

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity involving risk of life above and beyond the call of duty in action with the enemy. Comes in the following classes (which must be earned in order)

- Legionnaire
- Knight - with crossed swords
- Officer - with oak leaves - receiver will be commissioned
- Commander - with swords & oak leaves
- Knight Commander - with diamonds, swords & oak leaves

There is a limit on the number of members of the Legion of Honour currently alive to 65,536 all grades.

Burial in the Field of Honour - for those meriting entry to the Legion posthumously.

Imperial Earth Navy

Campaign Medals may be awarded at the end of a particular series of operations.

- Long Service Award for 15 Completed Missions, with clasps for each additional 15 missions.
- Hazard Award for completing 5 Pacifier missions without having lost your ship.
- Good Conduct Award; for completing 30 missions without a court martial or reprimand.

BRAVERY ETC:

- Wound Badge: Awarded to Pacifier Crew wounded in action.
- Ace Recognition Clasp. Awarded to official aces - that is any pilot with 5 confirmed kills. Confirmation must come from another pilot who was present at the engagement concerned and saw you making the kill. Kills can be shared in the event of combined efforts.
- Silver Carrier Destruction Badge: To All Crew involved in the successful destruction of an enemy Carrier.
- Gold Carrier Destruction Badge: To Pacifier Pilots who single-handedly destroy an enemy carrier.
- Spacefleet Meritorious Conduct Medal: Awarded to any crew who perform an act of special note whilst in battle.
- Imperial Star: For crew rescuing friendly forces or crew at the risk of their own lives, or any other act of outstanding daring and/or bravery. This is only awarded by the Emperor.

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