

Orders, Decorations, and Medals.

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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF
KNIGHTHOOD,

St. James's Palace S.W. 1,
22nd April, 1941.

ADDITIONAL STATUTE OF THE MOST EXCEL-
LENT ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

GEORGE R.I.

GEORGE THE SIXTH, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland, and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India and Sovereign of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, to all to whom these Presents shall come. Greeting!

Whereas by the Fifty-second Clause of the Statutes of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire bearing date the Thirtieth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, power was reserved to the Sovereign of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting or dispensing with the same or any part thereof by a notification under the Royal Sign Manual:

And whereas We have ordained in Our Warrant instituting the George Cross that as from the institution of the said Cross the grant of the Medal of the Order of the British Empire, for Gallantry, shall cease, and a recipient of that Medal living on the Twenty-fourth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and forty, shall return it to the Central Chancery of Our Orders of Knighthood and become instead a holder of the George Cross: provided that there shall be a similar change in relation to any posthumous grant of the Medal of the Order of the British Empire, for Gallantry, made since the commencement of the present war.

We now, in pursuance and in exercise of the power thus vested in Us, do annul the Thirty-seventh, Thirty-eighth, and Thirty-ninth of the aforesaid Statutes of this Order and the same are hereby annulled accordingly, and in lieu of the Thirty-seventh, Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth of the said Statutes, We do make, ordain and establish, by these Presents sealed with the Seal of the Order, the following Statutes and ordinances, namely:—

XXXVII. It is Ordained that a Military and Civil Medal of this Order shall be awarded to persons who render meritorious service warranting such mark of Our Royal appreciation. Such Civil Medal shall not be awarded to Members of any of the five Classes of the Order or to persons eligible for appointment thereto, and such Military Medal shall only be awarded to persons subordinate to those who are eligible for the Military Division of the various Classes of the Order, but a recipient of the Medal, whether Military or Civil, who may subsequently be appointed a Member of one of the five Classes of the Order, may continue to wear the Medal in addition to the Insignia of the Order. It is further Ordained that the said Medal, including the Medal awarded prior to 29th December, 1922, shall be known as "THE BRITISH EMPIRE MEDAL."

XXXVIII. It is Ordained that the said Medal for men and for women shall consist of a circular medal in silver, having on the obverse a representation of Britannia with the motto of the Order, and, upon the exergue, the words "FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE," and on the reverse the Royal and Imperial Cypher of the Sovereign, and the words "INSTITUTED BY KING GEORGE V," and shall be worn on the left side, immediately after the Burma Gallantry Medal, suspended from a clasp ornamented with oak leaves, attached to a rose pink riband edged with pearl grey of one inch and one-quarter in width, with the addition, in the case of recipients of the Military Medal of the Order, of a vertical pearl grey stripe in the centre of the riband of about one-sixteenth of an inch: provided that when the Medal is worn by a woman, it may be worn on the left shoulder, suspended from a riband of the same width and colour, fashioned into a bow. It is further Ordained that on occasions

when miniature decorations are worn, reproductions of the Medal in miniature may be worn by those to whom the Medal is awarded.

XXXIX. It is Ordained that services or acts deemed worthy of recognition by the award of the Medal, but rendered by a person upon whom the Medal has already been conferred, may be recorded by a Bar or Bars attached, for men, to the riband, and for women, to the centre of the bow, from which the Medal is suspended. It is further Ordained that when the riband is worn alone, the award of a Bar is to be indicated by the placing of a small silver rosette on the riband, a further rosette being added for each Bar.

And it is Our Will and Pleasure that these Statutes, sealed with the Seal of the said Order shall be taken and received as part and parcel of the Statutes thereof.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's under the Seal of the said Order, this fourteenth day of March, One Thousand Nine hundred and Forty-one, in the Fifth year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command—

HERBERT MORRISON.

(To be substituted for list dated 24th April, 1936.)

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF
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St. James's Palace S.W. 1,
22nd April, 1941.

The following list shows the order in which Orders, Decorations and Medals should be worn, but 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 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.L.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.

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. The Badge is not worn in miniature and the Riband is not worn with Undress Uniform.)

KNIGHTS BACHELORS' BADGE. (The Badge to be 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.)

* 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.