

**CANADIAN ORDER OF PRECEDENCE  
OF ORDERS, DECORATIONS AND MEDALS**

**HIGHEST VALOUR**

Victoria Cross	VC
Cross of Valour	CV

**ORDERS**

Companion	Order of Canada	CC
Officer	Order of Canada	OC
Member	Order of Canada	CM
Commander	Order of Military Merit	CMM
Commander	Order of Merit of the Police Forces	COM
Commander	Royal Victorian Order	CVO
Officer	Order of Military Merit	OMM
Officer	Order of Merit of the Police Forces	OOM
Lieutenant	Royal Victorian Order	LVO
Member	Order of Military Merit	MMM
Member	Order of Merit of the Police Forces	MOM
Member	Royal Victorian Order	MVO
The Most Venerable Order of St. John of Jerusalem (all grades)		KStJ, CStJ, OStJ, SBStJ/SSStJ

**PROVINCIAL ORDERS**

Ordre National du Quebec	GOQ / OQ / CQ
Saskatchewan Order of Merit	SOM
Order of Ontario	OOnt
Order of British Columbia	OBC
Alberta Order of Excellence	AOE
Order of Prince Edward Island	OPEI
Order of Manitoba	OM
Order of New Brunswick	ONB
Order of Nova Scotia	ONS
Order of Newfoundland and Labrador	ONL

## **DECORATIONS**

Star of Military Valour	SMV / EVM
Star of Courage	SC / EC
Meritorious Service Cross (Civil)	MSC / CSM
Meritorious Service Cross (Military)	MSC / CSM
Medal of Military Valour	MMV / MVM
Medal of Bravery	MB
Meritorious Service Medal (Civil)	MSM
Meritorious Service Medal (Military)	MSM
Royal Victorian Medal	RVM

## **MEDALS**

Sacrifice Medal

## **OPERATIONAL SERVICE MEDALS**

Canadian Korea Medal  
Canadian Volunteer Medal for Korea  
Gulf and Kuwait Medal  
Somalia Medal  
South-West Asia Service Medal  
General Campaign Star  
General Campaign Medal  
Special Service Medal  
Canadian Peacekeeper Medal

## **CIVILIAN / MILITARY MEDALS**











Polar Medal  
Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers

## UNITED NATIONS MEDALS

United Nations Service (Korea)	(1950-1954)
Emergency Force (Egypt/Sinai)	(1956-1967)
Truce Supervision Organization in Palestine	(1948- )
United Nations Observer Group in Lebanon	(1958)
Military Observation Group in India and Pakistan	(1948- )
United Nations Operation in the Congo	(1960-1964)
Temporary Executive Authority in West New Guinea	(1962-1963)
Yemen Observation Mission	(1963-1964)
Force in Cyprus	(1964- )
India/Pakistan Observation Mission	(1965-1966)
Emergency Force Middle East	(1973-1979)
Disengagement Observation Force Golan Heights	(1974- )
Interim Force in Lebanon	(1978- )
Military Observation Group in Iran/Iraq	(1988-1991)
Transition Assistance Group (Namibia)	(1989-1990)
Observer Group in Central America	(1989-1992)
Iraq/Kuwait Observer Mission	(1991- )
Angola Verification Mission	(1988-1997)
Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara	(1991- )
Observer Mission in El Salvador	(1991-1995)
Protection Force (Yugoslavia)	(1992-1995)
Advance Mission in Cambodia	(1991-1992)
Transitional Authority in Cambodia	(1992-1993)
Operation in Somalia	(1992-1993)
Operation in Mozambique	(1992-1994)
Observation Mission in Uganda / Rwanda	(1993-1994)
Assistance Mission in Rwanda	(1993-1996)
Mission in Haiti	(1993- )
Verification of Human Rights and Compliance with the Comprehensive Agreement on Human Rights in Guatemala	(1997-1998)
Mission in the Central African Republic	(1998-2000)
Preventive Deployment Force (Macedonia)	(1995-1999)
Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina	(1995-2000)
Mission of Observers in Prevlaka (Croatia)	(1996-2002)
Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo	(1999- )
Observer Mission in Sierra Leone	(1999- )
United Nations Assistance Mission in East Timor and Transitional Administration in East Timor	(1999-2001)
Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo	(1999- )
Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea	(2000- )
Stabilization Mission in Haiti	(2004- )
Operation in Côte D'Ivoire	(2004- )
Mission in Sudan	(2005- )
Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste	(2006- )
Hybrid Mission with the African Union in Darfur	(2007- )
United Nations Mission in the Republic of South Sudan	(2011- )
United Nations Special Service	(1995- )
United Nations Headquarters	

## NATO MEDALS

(North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Medal)

NATO MEDAL	- Bar:	<i>FORMER YUGOSLAVIA</i>	
IFOR / SFOR	- Ribbon:	Former Yugoslavia	
For Operations in the Former Yugoslavia			
NATO MEDAL	- Bar:	<i>KOSOVO</i>	
KFOR	- Ribbon:	Kosovo	
For Operations in the Former Yugoslavia Republic of Kosovo			
NATO MEDAL	- No Bar	-----	
FYROM	- Ribbon:	FYROM Ribbon	
For service in the Former Yugoslavia Republic of Macedonia			
NATO MEDAL	- Bar:	<i>Article 5</i>	
	- Ribbon:	Single gold	
For Operation Eagle Assist			
NATO MEDAL	- Bar:	<i>Article 5</i>	
	- Ribbon:	Double gold	
For NATO Operation Active Endeavour			
NATO MEDAL	- Bar:	<i>Non-Article 5</i>	
Balkans	- Ribbon:	Single silver	
For Operations in the Balkans			
NATO MEDAL	- Bar:	<i>NTM-IRAQ</i>	
NTM-IRAQ	- Ribbon:	Double Silver	
For service with the NATO Training Implementation Mission in Iraq			
NATO MEDAL	- Bar:	<i>AMIS</i>	
AMIS / Sudan	- Ribbon:	Double Silver	
For NATO Logistical Support to the African Union Mission in Sudan			
NATO MEDAL	- Bar:	<i>AFRICA</i>	
Africa	- Ribbon:	Double Silver	
For operations & activities in relation to AFRICA			
NATO MEDAL	- Bar:	<i>LIBYA</i>	
Libya	- Ribbon:	Double Silver	
For service on NATO Operation UNIFIED PROTECTOR against Libya			

NATO MEDAL Meritorious Service Medal  
 NATO MSM - Bar: Meritorious  
 - Ribbon: Gold & blue stripe  
 on White edge



**This medal is treated as a Foreign Medal and thus comes after all the medals in the Canadian Order of Precedence**

#### **INTERNATIONAL MISSION MEDALS**

International Commission for Supervision and Control (Indo-China) (1954-74)  
 International Commission for Control and Supervision (Vietnam) (1973)  
 Multinational Force and Observers (Sinai) (1982- )  
 European Community Monitor Mission (Yugoslavia) (1991- )  
 International Force East Timor (1999- )  
 European Security and Defence Policy Service Medal

#### **COMMEMORATIVE MEDALS**

Canadian Centennial Medal (1967)  
 Queen Elizabeth II Silver Jubilee Medal (1977)  
 125th Anniversary of the Confederation of Canada Medal (1992)  
 Queen Elizabeth II Golden Jubilee Medal (2002)  
 Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal (2012)  
 Canada 150 Medal (2017)

#### **LONG SERVICE AND GOOD CONDUCT MEDALS**

R.C.M.P. Long Service Medal  
 Canadian Forces Decoration (C.D.)

#### **EXEMPLARY SERVICE MEDALS**

Police Exemplary Service Medal  
 Corrections Exemplary Service Medal  
 Fire Services Exemplary Service Medal  
 Canadian Coast Guard Exemplary Service Medal  
 Emergency Medical Services Exemplary Service Medal  
 Peace Officer Exemplary Service Medal

#### **CHAMPION SHOT**

Queen's Medal for Champion Shot of the Canadian Forces

## **OTHER DECORATIONS AND MEDALS**

Ontario Medal for Good Citizenship (O.M.C.)  
Ontario Medal for Police Bravery  
Ontario Medal for Firefighters Bravery  
Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal (S.V.M.)  
Ontario Provincial Police Long Service and Good Conduct Medal  
Service Medal of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem  
Commissionaire Long Service Medal  
Newfoundland and Labrador Bravery Award  
Newfoundland and Labrador Volunteer Service Medal  
British Columbia Fire Services Bravery Medal  
British Columbia Fire Services Long Service Medal  
Commemorative Medal for the Centennial of Saskatchewan  
Alberta Centennial Medal

## **FOREIGN ORDERS, DECORATIONS and MEDALS**

Worn in the Order they are received

Commonwealth orders, decorations and medals, the award of which is approved by the Government of Canada, are worn after the Canadian orders, decorations and medals listed here, the precedence in each category being set by date of appointment or award, unless the award was made prior to 1972.

**SEQUENCE FOR WEARING  
A BRITISH ORDER, DECORATION OR MEDAL  
AWARDED PRIOR TO 01 JUNE 1972**

Victoria Cross	VC
George Cross	GC
Cross of Valour	CV
Order of Merit	OM
Order of the Companions of Honour	CH
Companion, Order of Canada	CC
Officer, Order of Canada	OC
Member, Order of Canada	CM
Commander, Order of Military Merit	CMM
Companion, Order of the Bath	CB
Companion, Order of St. Michael and St. George	CMG
Commander, Royal Victorian Order	CVO
Commander, Order of the British Empire	CBE
Distinguished Service Order	DSO
Officer, Order of Military Merit	OMM
Lieutenant, Royal Victorian Order	LVO
Officer, Order of the British Empire	OBE
Imperial Service Order	ISO
Member, Order of Military Merit	MMM
Member, Royal Victorian Order	MVO
Member, Order of the British Empire	MBE
Member, Royal Red Cross	RRC
Distinguished Service Cross	DSC
Military Cross	MC
Distinguished Flying Cross	DFC
Air Force Cross	AFC
Star of Military Valour	SMV / EVM
Star of Courage	SC / EC
Meritorious Service Cross	MSC / CSM
Medal of Military Valour	MMV / MVM
Medal of Bravery	MB
Meritorious Service Medal	MSM
Associate, Royal Red Cross	ARRC
The Most Venerable Order of St. John of Jerusalem (all grades)	KStJ, CStJ, OStJ SBStJ/SSStJ (MStJ)
Provincial Orders	
Distinguished Conduct Medal	DCM
Conspicuous Gallantry Medal	CGM
George Medal	GM
Distinguished Service Medal	DSM
Military Medal	MM

Distinguished Flying Medal	DFM
Air Force Medal	AFM
Queen's Gallantry Medal	QGM
Royal Victorian Medal	RVM
British Empire Medal	BEM

#### **WAR MEDALS**

Africa General Service Medal (1902-1956)  
 India General Service Medal (1908-1935)  
 Naval General Service Medal (1915-1962)  
 India General Service Medal (1936-1939)  
 General Service Medal (Army and Air Force) (1918-1962)  
 General Service Medal (1962 2000)  
 1914 Star  
 1914-1915 Star  
 British War Medal (1914-1918)  
 Mercantile Marine War Medal (1914-1918)  
 Victory Medal (1914-1918)  
 1939-45 Star  
 Atlantic Star  
 Air Crew Europe Star  
 Africa Star  
 Pacific Star  
 Burma Star  
 Italy Star  
 France and Germany Star  
 Defence Medal  
 Canadian Volunteer Service Medal  
 Newfoundland Second World War Volunteer Service Medal  
 War Medal (1939-1945)  
 Korea Medal  
 Canadian Volunteer Medal for Korea  
 Gulf and Kuwait Medal  
 Somalia Medal  
 Special Service Medal  
 Canadian Peacekeeper Medal

#### **United Nations Medals**

(as outlined in previous section)

#### **International Commission Medals**

(as outlined in previous section)

#### **Polar Medals**



### **Commemorative Medals**

King George V Silver Jubilee Medal	(1935)
King George VI Coronation Medal	(1937)
Queen Elizabeth II Coronation	(1953)
Canadian Centennial Medal	(1967)
Queen Elizabeth II Silver Jubilee Medal	(1977)
Canada 125th Anniversary Medal	(1992)
Queen Elizabeth II Gold Jubilee Medal	(2002)

### **Long Service and Good Conduct Medals**

Army Long Service and Good Conduct Medal	
Naval Long Service and Good Conduct Medal	
Air Force Long Service and Good Conduct Medal	
RCMP Long Service Medal	
Volunteer Officer's Decoration	VD
Volunteer Long Service Medal	
Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officer's Decoration	VD
Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal	
Efficiency Decoration	ED
Efficiency Medal	
Naval Volunteer Reserve Decoration	VRD
Naval Volunteer Long Service and Good Conduct Medal	
Air Efficiency Award	
Canadian Forces Decoration	CD

### **Exemplary Service Medals**

As set out in previous section

### **Special Medals**

Queen's Medal for Champion Shot  
King's Medal for Champion Shot  
RCAF Medal for Champion Shot

### **Other Medals**

As set out in previous section

### **Foreign Honours**

In order of acceptance

**OBVERSE  
DEVICES AND LEGENDS**

The obverse of a medal is the side which often carries an effigy of the sovereign as its principal device, or in the case of recent Canadian medals, a maple leaf. The obverse is also the side observed by others when the medal is worn.

Most of the medals in this book are from the reigns of King George V, King George VI, and Queen Elizabeth II, and thus the effigies and legends used on these medals are described her. The names or post-nominal letters of the medals bearing each device / legend combination are listed below the description.

**KING GEORGE V**

**Early Medals (1911-1930)**

Only one obverse legend was used during this period:

**GEORGIUS V BRITT : OMN : REX ET IND : IMP :**



Three different effigies were used during this period, all bareheaded:

- (a) In Field Marshal's uniform:  
DCM, MM, MSM, Colonial Permanent Forces LS/GC medal,  
Colonial Auxiliary Forces LS/GC medal;
- (b) In Admiral's Uniform:  
RCN LS/GC medal; DSM
- (c) Coinage effigy:  
AFM, DFM, EM, KPFSM, ISM, RVM, British War medal,  
Mercantile Marine War medal.

### Later King George V Medals (1930-1937)

A new obverse legend was introduced in 1930 for King George V

**GEORGIUS . V . D . G . BRITT . OMN REX . ET . INDIAE . IMP .**

A new effigy, crowned and robed, facing left, was used for this period. Because it was peacetime, the only war medals (DCM, MM, etc.) that could be awarded to Canadians would be replacement medals.

Others that were issued in this period are:

MSM, KPSFM, ISM, RCMP LS medal, Army LS/GC medal, Canadian Efficiency medal.

During the brief reign of King Edward VIII, the Royal Canadian Navy Long Service and Good Conduct Medal was issued with the legend and coinage effigy of the 1911-1930 GV period.



## KING GEORGE VI

### Early King George VI Medals (1937-1949)



This period saw only two combinations of legend and device:

- (a) **GEORGIUS VI D : G : BR : OMN : REX ET INDIAE IMP :**  
Used on medals displaying a crowned effigy of King George VI:  
DCM, CGM, GM, DSM, MM, ISM, KPFSM, Canada Medal, 1939-45 War medal, Army LS/GC medal, Efficiency medal; and
- (b) **GEORGIUS VI D : G : BR : OMN : REX F : D : IND : IMP :**  
Used on medals displaying the bareheaded coinage effigy of King George VI:  
DFM, AFM, RVM, MSM, Polar medal, Defence medal, RCN LS/GC medal, RCAF LS/GC medal, Air Efficiency award, RCNR LS/GC medal, RCNVR LS/GC medal, RCMP LS medal.

## Later King George VI Medals (1949-1952)

After India achieved independence, two different combinations of legend and device were used, and one medal bore a shortened legend:

- (a) **GEORGIUS VI DEI GRA : BRITT : OMN : REX FIG : DEF :**  
Used in combination with a crowned effigy of King George VI, on medals awarded during the early part of the Korean conflict:  
DCM, DSM, GM, MM, ISM, KPFSM, Army LS/GC medal, Efficiency medal;
- (b) **GEORGIUS VI D : G : BRITT : OMN : REX FID : DEF :**  
Used only on medals displaying the bareheaded coinage effigy of King George VI:  
AFM, MSM, RVM, CD, RCN LS/GC medal, RCAF LS/GC medal, RCNVR LS/GC, medal; and
- (c) **GEORGIUS VI DE GRATIA REX**  
Appeared only on the RCMP LS Medal (uncrowned coinage effigy).

**GEORGIUS VI DEI GRA : BRITT : OMN : REX FIG : DEF      GEORGIUS VI DE GRATIA REX**



## **QUEEN ELIZABETH II**

### **Early Medals (Prior to 1954)**

Three effigies of the queen were used in combination with four legends on the obverse of medals issued between 1952 and 1954:

1. a crowned effigy appears in conjunction with the following two legends:
  - (a) (1952-1953)  
**ELIZABETH II D . G . : BR : OMN : REGINA F : D :**  
DCM, GM, DSM, MM; and
  - (b) 1952 to present) **ELIZABETH II DEI GRATIA REGINA**  
The Efficiency Medal.
2. the bareheaded coinage effigy is used with the following three legends:
  - (a) (1952-1953)  
**ELIZABETH II DEI GRA : BRITT : OMN : REGINA F : D :**  
MSM, RVM, Polar Medal, RCN LS/GC Medal, RCAF LS/GC Medal
  - (b) (1952 to present)  
**ELIZABETH II DEI GRATIA REGINA . CANADA .**  
Canadian Korea Medal, Canadian Forces Decoration; and
  - (c) (1952 to present)  
**ELIZABETH II DEI GRATIA REGINA**  
RCMP Long Service Medal
3. a crowned and robed effigy of the queen was used with the legend:
  - (1952 to present)  
**ELIZABETH II DEI GRATIA REGINA**  
Army Long Service Medal

### **Later Medals (1954 - 1990)**

Two effigies of the queen were used in combination with four legends on the obverse of medals issued during this period.

1. a crowned effigy of the queen was used with the following two legends:

- (a) **ELIZABETH II DEI GRATIA REGINA F . D .**  
GM, Queen's Medal for the Champion Shot of the Army (and of the RCAF). The British DCM, CGM, DSM, and MM had this type of obverse until discontinued in 1998. None of these have been issued to Canadians.
- (b) **ELIZABETH II DEI GRATIA REGINA FID . DEF .**  
Efficiency Medal

2. a bareheaded coinage effigy of the queen was used in combination with two legends:

- (a) **ELIZABETH II . DEI . GRATIA . REGINA . F : D : .**  
MSM, RCN LS/GC Medal, RCAF LS/GC Medal; and
- (b) **ELIZABETH II DEI GRATIA REGINA FID : DEF :**  
AFM

**Current Medals (1990 to present)**

- (a) a crowned effigy of the Queen, facing right, with the legend:  
**ELIZABETH II DEI GRATIA REGINA . CANADA .**  
CVSM Korea, Gulf and Kuwait Medal, Queen's Medal for Champion Shot.
- (b) a crowned, older effigy of the Queen, facing right, with the legend:  
**ELIZABETH II DEI GRATIA REGINA - a maple leaf - CANADA -**  
a maple leaf.  
Sacrifice Medal

## ABBREVIATIONS

*	An asterisk following the post-nominal letters for an award represent a bar to that award.
2/Lt	Second Lieutenant
A/	(rank) Acting
AB	Able Seaman (AS also used)
AC1	Air Craftsman, 1st Class
AFC	Air Force Cross
AFM	Air Force Medal
AM	Albert Medal
ARRC	Associate, Royal Red Cross
AS	Able Seaman (AB also used)
Asst	Assistant
ATU	Air Transport Unit
BAOR	British Army of the Rhine
BC	British Columbia
BEF	British Expeditionary Force
BEM	British Empire Medal
BGen	Brigadier-General
Bt	Baronet
C/L	Cadet Instructors List
C&YR	Carleton and York Regiment
CAMC	Canadian Army Medical Corps
CB	Companion, Order of the Bath
CBE	Commander, Order of the British Empire
CC	Companion, Order of Canada
CD	Canadian Forces Decoration
Cdn	Canadian
Cdr	Commander
CE	Canadian Engineers
CECOG	Commonwealth Election Commission Observer Group - Rhodesia/Zimbabwe
CEF	Canadian Expeditionary Force
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CER	Canadian Engineer Regiment
CF	Canadian Forces
CFB	Canadian Forces Base
CFMS	Canadian Forces Medical Services
CFS	Canadian Forces Station
CG	Canadian Gazette
CGM	Conspicuous Gallantry Medal (Naval or Air)
CH	Companion of Honour
CIB	Canadian Infantry Brigade



CM	Member, Order of Canada (also Medal of Courage)
CMG	Companion, Order of St. Michael and St. George
CMM	Commander, Order of Military Merit
CMO	Chief Medical Officer
CO	Commanding Officer
Col	Colonel
Cpl	Corporal
CPO1	Chief Petty Officer, 1st Class
CPO2	Chief Petty Officer, 2nd Class
CPR	Canadian Pacific Railway
CQ	Knight, Ordre National du Quebec
CSM	Company Sergeant-Major (Warrant Officer Class II)
CStJ	Commander, Order of St. John of Jerusalem
CV	Cross of Valour
CVO	Commander, Royal Victorian Order
CVSM	Canadian Volunteer Service Medal
CWO	Chief Warrant Officer (formerly WOI)
DBE	Dame Commander Order of the British Empire
DCM	Distinguished Conduct Medal
Dep/	Deputy
DFC	Distinguished Flying Cross
DFM	Distinguished Flying Medal
DOMREP	Mission of the Representative of the Secretary General in the Dominican Republic
Dr	Doctor
DSC	Distinguished Service Cross
DSM	Distinguished Service Medal
DSO	Distinguished Service Order
DStJ	Dame of Justice or of Grace, Order of St. John of Jerusalem
EC	Etoile du Courage
ECMMY	European Community Monitor Mission in Yugoslavia
ED	Canadian Efficiency Decoration
EGM	Empire Gallantry Medal
EIIR	Queen Elizabeth II
EM	Edward Medal
ERVII	King Edward VII
Exergue	Below
FAA	Fleet Air Arm
F/L	Flight Lieutenant
F/O	Flying Officer
F/S	Flight Sergeant
G/C	Group Captain

GBE Empire	Knight or Dame Grace Cross, Order of the British
GC	George Cross
GCB	Knight Grand Cross, Order of the Bath
GCMG George	Knight Grand Cross, Order of St. Michael and St.
GCStJ	Bailiff or Dame Grand Cross, Order of St. John of Jerusalem
GCVO	Knights (Dames) Grand Cross, Royal Victorian Order
GM	George Medal
GOQ	Commander, Ordre National du Quebec
GRI	King George VI
GVI	King George VI
GVR	King George V
GV	King George V
HRH	His / Her Royal Highness
HMCS	His / Her Majesty's Canadian Ship
HQ	Headquarters
ICCS	International Commission of Control and Supervision Viet Nam 1973
ICSC	International Commission of Supervision and Control Service
ISM	Imperial Service Medal
ISO	Imperial Service Order
KBE	Knight Commander, Order of the British Empire
KCB	Knight Commander, Order of Bath
KCMG George	Knight Commander, Order of St. Michael and St.
KCVO	Knight (Dame) Commander, Royal Victorian Order
KIA	Killed in Action
KPFSM	King's Police and Fire Services Medal
KPM	King's Police Medal
KStJ	Knight of Justice or of Grace, Order of St. John of Jerusalem
LAC	Leading Aircraftsman
LCdr	Lieutenant-Commander
LCol	Lieutenant-Colonel
L/Cpl	Lance-Corporal
LGen	Lieutenant-General
LSH	Lord Strathcona's Horse
Lt	Lieutenant
Lt-Gov	Lieutenant-Governor
LVO	Lieutenant, Royal Victorian Order

M/Cpl	Master Corporal
MACTP	Mine Awareness and Clearance Training Programme (Afghanistan)
MB	Medal of Bravery
MBE	Member, Order of the British Empire
MC	Military Cross
MFO	Multinational Force and Observers
MGC	Machine Gun Corps
MGen	Major-General
MID	Mention-In-Despatches; Mention-In-Dispatches
MIF	Maritime Interdiction Force
MINURSO	UN Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara
MLA	Member of the Legislative Assembly
MM	Military Medal
MMM	Member, Order of the British Empire
MO	Medical Officer
MP	Military Police; Member of Parliament
MSC	Meritorious Service Cross (Military and Civil)
MSM	Meritorious Service Medal (Military and Civil)
MVO	Member, Royal Victorian Order
MWO	Master Warrant Officer (formerly WOII)
N/S	Nursing Sister
(N)	Naval [as in Captain(N)]
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
NCM	Non-Commissioned Member
NCO	Non-Commissioned Officer
NWMP	Northwest Mounted Police
NWT	Northwest Territories
OBC	Order of British Columbia
OBE	Officer, Order of the British Empire
OC	Officer, Order of Canada (postnominal)
OC	Officer Commanding (before a name)
OM	Order of Merit
OMM	Officer, Order of Military Merit
ONUC	Organisations des Nations Unies au Congo
ONUCA	UN Central America Observer Group
ONUMOZ	UN Operations in Mozambique
ONUSAL	Observer Mission in El Salvador
ONUVEH	UN Observer Group for the Verification of Elections in Haiti
OOnt	Order of Ontario
OSGAP	Officer of Secretary General Afghanistan/Pakistan
OStJ	Officer, Order of St. John of Jerusalem
OTN	International Observer Team to Nigeria

PC	Member of the Privy Council
PO	Petty Officer
PO1	Petty Officer, 1st Class
PO2	Petty Officer, 2nd Class
POW	Prisoner of War
PPCLI	Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry
Pte	Private
PWOR	Princess of Wales' Own Regiment
QHP	Queen's Honorary Physician
QOCH	Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders of Canada
R22eR	Royal 22e Regiment
RAAF	Royal Australian Air Force
RAdm	Rear-Admiral
RAF	Royal Air Force
RCA	Royal Canadian Artillery
RCAF	Royal Canadian Air Force
RCAMC	Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps
RCASC	Royal Canadian Army Service Corps
RCE	Royal Canadian Engineers
RCMP	Royal Canadian Mounted Police
RCN	Royal Canadian Navy
RCNR	Royal Canadian Naval Reserve
RCNVR	Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve
RCR	Royal Canadian Regiment
RC Sigs	Royal Canadian Signal Corps
RD	Royal Canadian Naval Reserve Officers' Decoration
RE	Royal Engineers
RFC	Royal Flying Corps
RMC	Royal Military College (of Canada, Kingston)
RN	Royal Navy; Registered Nurse
RNWMP	Royal Northwest Mounted Police
RNZAF	Royal New Zealand Air Force
RR	Royal Regiment
RRC	Member, Royal Red Cross
RSM	Regimental Sergeant-Major (WOI)
RWAU	Rotary Wing Aviation Unit
S/Sgt	Staff Sergeant
S/L	Squadron Leader
SBStJ	Serving Brother, Order of St. John of Jerusalem
SC	Star of Courage
Sgt	Sergeant
S/M	Sergeant Major
SM	Medal of Service

SMV	Star of Military Valour
SOM	Saskatchewan Order of Merit
Sqd	Squadron
SSM	Special Service Medal (UN or Canadian)
SSStJ	Serving Sister, Order of St. John of Jerusalem
UK	United Kingdom
UN	United Nations
	All UN Medal abbreviations outlined in Index
US	United States
USA	United States of America
USAF	United States Air Force
USN	United States Navy
USS	United States Ship
VAdm	Vice-Admiral
VC	Victoria Cross
VD	Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration
VR	Queen Victoria
VRD	Royal Canadian Navy Volunteer Reserver Officers' Decoration
W/C	Wing Commander
WO	Warrant Officer / War Office
WO1	Warrant Officer, 1st Class (now Chief Warrant Officer)
WO2	Warrant Officer, 2nd Class (now Master Warrant Officer)
WWI	World War One
WWII	World War Two

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## INTERNET SITES

The world has found the internet and so has the medals world. I published a book "RCAF Honours, Decorations and Medals" which listed all the awards to the RCAF and Canadians in the RAF. My friend, Hugh Halliday, a noted author in his own right, went one better (more like a million better), he compiled **all the citations** to the RCAF plus biographies on all the members. However, the book would be far to large. So he put all his citations on the Air Command Web site. Then the Canadian Forces decided to remove them! At a time that they professed to believe in history, they dropped the entire site. I had assisted Hugh in editing his work (but he got all the citations and entered them) and fortunately, the RCAF Association put the citations on their web site.

Being a naval officer, I felt that I had to compile the naval citations (a much less daunting task especially since there was already a book with the WWII citations by Bainbridge and Paquette to work from. These were submitted to Maritime Command but they cannot be put on their site because they have to be translated. The rules do not require this since material originally published in only one language can be put on government web sites. So they should show up on the Naval Officers Association website sometime soon.

Hugh Halliday went even further. He has all the citations to the Canadian Army for WWII and he and I have put them all onto the computer. His RCAF list is on the Air Force Officers Association of Canada site.

The following internet sites have information on medals that will enhance the usefulness of this book.

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| <a href="http://www.gg.ca">www.gg.ca</a>             | Governor-General of Canada (Citations for all the recipients of the Order of Canada and the Meritorious Service Decorations) |
| <a href="http://www.airforce.ca">www.airforce.ca</a> | Air Force Officers Association (all the RCAF citations compiled by Hugh Halliday)  |
| <a href="http://www.dnd.ca">www.dnd.ca</a>           | Department of National Defence site (descriptions of all the Canadian Forces medals)   |
| <a href="http://www.dva.ca">www.dva.ca</a>           | Department of Veterans Affairs (description of all the medals - uses this book as a reference)                               |

<a href="http://www.protocol.gov.bc.ca">www.protocol.gov.bc.ca</a>	Order of British Columbia
www.gov.ab.ca	Alberta Order of Excellence
www.ops.gov.sk.ca	SOM date at Protocol Officer
<a href="http://www.lg.gov.mb.ca">www.lg.gov.mb.ca</a>	Order of Manitoba
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www.gouv.pq.ca	Ordre National du Quebec
<a href="http://www.gov.ns.ca/prot/order">www.gov.ns.ca/prot/order</a>	Order of Nova Scotia
<a href="http://www.gnb.ca/lg/ONB">www.gnb.ca/lg/ONB</a>	Order of New Brunswick
<a href="http://www.exec.gov.nl.ca/on">www.exec.gov.nl.ca/on</a>	Order of Newfoundland and Labrador
www.gov.pe.ca	Order of Prince Edward Island
www.un.org	United Nations Medals
www.itsanhonour.gov.au	Australia Honours site
<a href="http://www.dPMC.govt.nz/honours">www.dPMC.govt.nz/honours</a>	New Zealand Honours
<a href="http://www.direct.gov.uk.directgov">www.direct.gov.uk.directgov</a>	