

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

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Devices



Bronze Star

For number of campaigns or operations, multiple qualifications, or an additional award of an authorized ribbon.



Silver Star

One silver star is worn in lieu of five bronze service stars.



Silver and Bronze Stars

When worn together on a single ribbon, silver stars are worn to wearer's right of a bronze star.



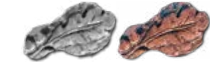
Silver Oak Leaf Cluster

For sixth, 11th, etc., entitlements or in lieu of five bronze OLCs.



Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster

For second and subsequent awards.



Silver and Bronze OLCs

Silver OLCs are worn to the wearer's right of the bronze OLCs on the same ribbon.



Valor Device

Denotes heroism above what is normally expected while engaged in direct combat with an enemy of the U.S., or an opposing foreign or armed force, with exposure to enemy hostilities and personal risk; not an additional award; only one per ribbon; worn to the wearer's right of OLCs on the same ribbon.



Arrowhead Device

Shows participation in assigned tactical combat parachute, glider, or amphibious assault landing; worn on campaign medals, Korean Service Medal, and Armed Forces and GWOT Expeditionary medals.



Combat Device

Denotes meritorious service or achievement performed under combat conditions.



Remote Device

Denotes hands-on employment of a weapons system, performed remotely without personal physical combat risk that had a direct and immediate effects on the outcome of an engagement or specific effects on a target.



Hourglass Device

Issued for the Armed Forces Reserve Medal in bronze for 10 years of service, silver for 20, and gold for 30.



Arctic Device

Worn on Air Force Overseas Ribbon-Short for service north of Arctic Circle; one per ribbon; worn to the wearer's right of OLCs.



Mobility Device

Worn with the Armed Forces Reserve Medal to denote Active Duty status for at least one day during a contingency; here with number of mobilizations.



Nuclear Device

Worn on the Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal to indicate direct support.



Wintered Over Device

Worn on Antarctica Service Medal to denote staying on the Antarctic continent over the winter—bronze for one; gold, two; silver, three.



Plane Device

Worn on Army of Occupation Medal for 90 consecutive days in direct support of the Berlin Airlift, June 26, 1948, to Sept. 30, 1949.

USAF Specialty Berets

Airmen in seven USAF specialties are authorized to wear a colored beret along with the insignia of that particular field.



Combat Controller/
Special Tactics Officer



Pararescue/Combat
Rescue Officer



Security Forces



Survival, Evasion,
Resistance, and Escape



Tactical Air Command
and Control

(Tactical Air Control Party crest)



Air Liaison Officer
(TACP flash and rank)



Weather Parachutist