

## RULES FOR WEARING USSR ORDERS AND MEDALS

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USSR state decorations—orders and medals—are evidence of special combat and labor services by the decorated person. The rules for wearing USSR orders and medals as well as their ribbons have been approved by order of the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet on June 19, 1943. Decorations approved subsequent to this order are worn in an order determined by statutes and the situations.

An order of the USSR Minister of Defense has established the compulsory wearing by decorated servicemen of orders, medals and their ribbons on the military uniform (excluding the work uniform, jackets, greatcoats, raincoats).

Servicemen wear orders and medals on the full dress uniform. Servicemen wear the Gold Star medal and the Hammer and Sickle gold medal on the full dress and everyday uniforms.

The Gold Star medal and the Hammer and Sickle gold medal are placed on the left side of the chest of the decorated person above all of the other decorations. Placed lower from right to left are the Order of Lenin, the orders of the October Revolution, Red Banner, Red Banner of Labor, Friendship of Peoples, the badge of honor, of glory (1st, 2nd, 3rd class), of labor glory (1st, 2nd, 3rd class), the medals of valor, Ushakov, combat service, distinguished service in guarding the state borders of the USSR, distinguished service in the maintenance of public order, Nakhimov, the 20th anniversary of the RKKA [Workers' and Peasants' Red Army], labor valor, laboring excellence, heroic labor (for military valor) in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of Vladimir Il'ich Lenin's birth, heroism at a fire, rescuing drowning people, serving as a partisan in World War II (1st and 2nd class), defense of Leningrad, defense of Moscow, defense of Odessa, defense of Sevastopol', defense of Stalingrad, defense of Kiev, defense of the Caucasus, defense of the Soviet Arctic, victory over Germany in World War II (1941-45), 20th anniversary of victory in World War II (1941-45), 30th anniversary of victory in World War II (1941-45), victory over Japan, the capture of Budapest, the capture of Konigsberg, the capture of Vienna, the capture of Berlin, the liberation of Belgrade, the liberation of Warsaw, the liberation of Prague, valiant labor in World War II (1941-45), veteran of labor, veteran of the USSR armed forces, reconstruction of the ferrous metallurgy enterprises of the south, reconstruction of the Donbass coal mines, development of the virgin lands, construction of the Baykal-Amur Railroad, in memory of the 800th anniversary of Moscow, in memory of the 250th anniversary of Leningrad, 30th anniversary of the Soviet army and navy, 40th anniversary of the armed forces of the USSR, 50th anniversary of the armed forces of the USSR, 50th anniversary of the Soviet police. Medals for exceptional service (1st, 2nd and 3rd class) are worn after the other medals.

The following orders are placed on the right side of the decorated individual's chest: Suvorov, first class; Ushakov, first class; Kutuzov, first class; Nakhimov, first class; Bogdan Khmel'nitskiy, first class; Suvorov, second class; Ushakov, second class; Kutuzov, second class; Nakhimov, second class; Bogdan Khmel'nitskiy, second class; Suvorov, third class; Kutuzov, third class; Bogdan Khmel'nitskiy, third class; Aleksandr Nevskiy; World War II, first and second classes; Red Star; service to the fatherland in the armed forces of the USSR, first, second and third classes.

The distinguished military service medal, first and second classes, is worn below these orders.

The ribbons for the honors and medals are worn on the left side of the chest of the decorated person in the following sequence (from right to left): ribbon of the Order of Lenin; ribbons of the orders of the October Revolution; Red Banner; Suvorov, first class; Ushakov, first class; Kutuzov, first class; Nakhimov, first class; Bogdan Khmel'nitskiy, first class; Suvorov, second class; Ushakov, second class; Kutuzov, second class; Nakhimov, second class; Bogdan Khmel'nitskiy, second class; Suvorov, third class; Kutuzov, third class;

Bogdan Khmel'nitskiy, third class; Aleksandr Nevskiy; World War II, first and second classes; Red Banner of Labor; Friendship of Peoples; Red Star; service to the fatherland in the USSR armed forces, first, second and third classes; the badge of honor; glory, first, second and third classes; labor glory, first, second and third classes.

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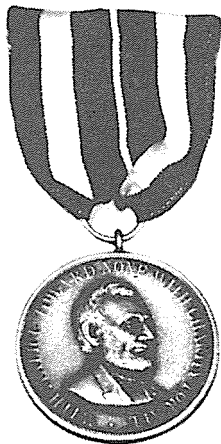
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