

Military Ranks and Abbreviations, Officers

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Pay Grade	Army		Navy		Marine Corps		Air Force	
O-10	General	GEN	Admiral	ADM	General	Gen	General	Gen
O-9	Lieutenant General	LTG	Vice Admiral	VADM	Lieutenant General	LtGen	Lieutenant General	Lt Gen
O-8	Major General	MG	Rear Admiral	RADM	Major General	MajGen	Major General	Maj Gen
O-7	Brigadier General	BG	Rear Admiral	RDML ²	Brigadier General	BGen	Brigadier General	Brig Gen
O-6	Colonel	COL	Captain	CAPT	Colonel	Col	Colonel	Col
O-5	Lieutenant Colonel	LTC	Commander	CDR	Lieutenant Colonel	LtCol	Lieutenant Colonel	Lt Col
O-4	Major	MAJ	Lieutenant Commander	LCDR	Major	Maj	Major	Maj
O-3	Captain	CPT	Lieutenant	LT	Captain	Capt	Captain	Capt
O-2	First Lieutenant	1LT	Lieutenant Junior Grade	LTJG	First Lieutenant	1st Lt	First Lieutenant	1st Lt
O-1	Second Lieutenant	2LT	Ensign	ENS	Second Lieutenant	2nd Lt	Second Lieutenant	2d Lt
W-5	Chief Warrant Officer	CW5 ¹			Chief Warrant Officer 5	CWO-5		
W-4	Chief Warrant Officer 4	CW4	Chief Warrant Officer 4	CWO4	Chief Warrant Officer 4	CWO-4		
W-3	Chief Warrant Officer 3	CW3	Chief Warrant Officer 3	CWO3	Chief Warrant Officer 3	CWO-3		
W-2	Chief Warrant Officer 2	CW2	Chief Warrant Officer 2	CWO2	Chief Warrant Officer 2	CWO-2		
W-1	Warrant Officer 1	WO1	Warrant Officer	WO1	Chief Warrant Officer 1	CWO-1		

¹ The Army used Master Warrant Officer at one time; "Master" now indicates a transitional rank; all Army Warrant Officers are Chief Warrant Officers.

² The Navy Rear Admiral rank contains two levels: upper half, equal to a two-star flag officer, and lower half, equal to a one-star flag officer. The rank of Commodore was a commissioned one-star rank during time of war. The commander of a fleet of ships is sometimes referred to as "Commodore" as a courtesy title. The rank no longer exists and the title is never officially used.